

Neil's Schooner may not be true. As we may probably think c. s. c.
of giving some further Instructions to your Captain we shall
take it as a Favor if when he comes down you will accompany
him.

[Council to Maryland Deputies.]

No. 14.

To the Deputies of Maryland in Congress

11th Feby. 1776

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The Convention in Consequence of the Desire of the Congress had ordered three Companies of their Minute-Men to march to the Assistance of the Counties of Accomack and Northampton in Virginia. Two of them are already, as we hear, at their Stations, and you will see by the inclosed the Reason why the other is prevented from complying with the Order of the Convention. We would, were it in our Power, [without rendering this city and Baltimore Town entirely defenceless] with great readiness spare the Arms wanted.

Since the Rising of the Convention 'till Friday last we have not heard from the Eastern Shore, the Communication having been cut off by the Frost. We send you the Letters that you may know the State of the affair and if necessary apprize the Congress of it.

[Pendleton to Council.]

W^{ms}burg Feb. 10th 1776.

Gent^t We think it our indispensable duty to inform you that a 50 gun man of war is just arrived & lying with the King Fisher & several Tenders off old Fort Point below Hampton what ship or from whence she came, we have not yet discovered we are with great regard.

Gent y^r mo obed^t Serv^t
Edm^d Pendleton.

By order of the Commee

[Wiesenthal to Council.]

Original.

Balt^o Town Feby 10th 1776.

Gentlemen. According to your orders, I have examined and received into my care the medicines and shop of Doc^t Stenhouse for the use of the troops, the invoice of which I have thought requisite to inclose for your examination. The medicines are all of good quality, and saleable in case they