

the Man of War and her Tenders attempt any Landing there, c. s. J. that he be ready to repel them.

Ordered that a Copy of the above Order be immediately dispatched to Col. Weems by Express.

Copy of Letter N^o 32 was sent by Express to the Committee of Observation for Baltimore County: Copy of N^o 33 by Express to Col. William Smallwood: Copy of N^o 34 by Express to the Committee of Observation for Prince Georges County: Copy of N^o 35 by Express to the Committee of Observation for Baltimore County: And Copy of N^o 36 by Express to Col. Thomas Dorsey.

M^r Carroll was requested to go to Baltimore Town to assist in the necessary Preparations there.

Ordered That Capt. Rezin Beall's independent Company be stationed one half of them at Port Tobacco in Charles County, and the other half at Drum Point in Calvert County and that they march to their several Stations as soon as possible

Copy of Letter N^o 37 was sent to the Committee of Observation for Calvert County.

D^r Michael Wallace was appointed first Surgeon's Mate to the Battalion.

Commission issued to William Frazir appointed third Lieutenant of Cap' James Hindman's independent Company in the Room of Pollard Edmondson who resigned.

[Council to Virginia Council.]

c. s. c.

In Council of Safety Annapolis 6th March 1776.

To all persons whom it shall or may concern, We request you to permit the bearer hereof M^r Alexander Ross to pass unmolested to the Council of Safety of Virginia, he having made affidavit that his journey to Virginia is on account of private business and with no other Design; and that he will not directly or indirectly communicate any intelligence whatsoever on public affairs to any person unfriendly to America.

Gent:

In consequence of a letter from two of our Delegates (a copy of which we send you inclosed) we have given M^r Alexander Ross a permit to pass to your board and as his business is to be settled in your colony we leave the propriety of granting him a further passport to your determination.

We are with great Respect

Annapolis Mar 8th 1776

Gent &^c

To the Honble.

The Council of Safety of V^a

Letter inclosed.