C. S. J.

Friday 8 March 1776.

Council met. Present as yesterday except Mr Carroll

Ordered That the Treasurer of the Western Shore pay to the Committee of Observation for Baltimore County one thousand Pounds Currency on Account of Provision for the Militia now in Baltimore Town.

A Letter was received from the Committee of Observation Baltimore County and answered (Vid N° 38).

Copy of Letter N° 39 was sent to Brigadier General Chamberlaine and a Copy of N° 40, to Captain James Hindman.

Ordered That Major Thomas Price deliver out of the public Magazine to Colonel Rezin Hammond forty Pounds of Powder one hundred and sixty Pounds of Buckshot, and one hundred and twenty Gun-Flints for the use of the Severn Battalion, to be safely kept by him until Necessity of going into actual service may require its being delivered out to the Militia.

Copy of Letter Nº 41 was sent to Colonel Joshua Beall.

Ordered, That Capt<sup>n</sup> Pitt and M<sup>r</sup> Middleton keep a good Look out in the Bay near the Mouth of this River and see that no Vessel pass out of the Harbour or from below towards the Mouth of Potapsco, unless they have License so to do from the Council of Safety.

Ordered, That Major Tillard deliver to Colonel John Weems or his Order, for the use of the Province, a Barrel of Gun Powder now at Pigg-Point in the Possession of and under the Care of the said Tillard, but that Colonel Weems do not distribute the same among the Companies of his Battalion until the Service of the Public makes it absolutely requisite.

Ordered, That the Treasurer of the Western Shore pay to Richard Hall fifty two Pounds Currency to defray the Expence of carting the Records.

Adjourned 'till 3 °Clock and met accordingly.

The Order of the [day for] taking into Consideration the Petition of Henry Ridgely and others, was referred 'till a future Day, to be appointed by the Council; the Elk Ridge Battalion being ordered on Duty to Baltimore Town.

Ordered, That the Treasurer of the Western Shore pay to M<sup>r</sup> Thomas Hyde fifty five Pounds, one shilling and four Pence half Penny for 3481 lb. Lead.

Ordered, That the Treasurer of the Western Shore pay to John Youst two Pounds eleven Shillings, and seven Pence Currency for repairing Guns.

Ordered, That Captain Barton Lucas immediately march his Company to their Station at the City of Annapolis.