

march to Baltimore Town, you are with the utmost Expedition c. s. c. to proceed to that Place, we having empowered them to order you there, if they should think it necessary. As soon as the ship of War sails from thence, you are to proceed immediately to Annapolis, such Baggage as may be necessary for you at Baltimore Town you will carry with you, but the Residue with the spare Arms you will order to proceed directly here under a Guard.

9th March 1776.

[Council to Talbot Committee.]

No. 47.

To the Committee of Talbot County

Gentⁿ

Alexr. Wickham was apprehend and brot before us Yesterday in consequence of a letter from M^r Sam^l Sharpe to Mess^{rs} Wallace and Davidson setting forth that the said Wickham was a Person inimical to the Liberties of this Country and was suspected of being on his Way to Lord Dunmore. As the trial of Wickham before our Board would at this time interfere with Business of great Importance to the Province, and as the Witnesses on both sides reside on the Eastern Shore we have thought proper to send him under the custody of Licut^t Frazier to your Committee in Order that you may try and determine the Truth of the Offence laid to his Charge. You will therefore proceed to make the proper Enquiry into this Matter and conduct yourself therein as you shall judge most conducive to the Public Good.

12th March 1776

[Council to Dorchester Committee.]

No. 48.

To the Committee of Observation for Dorchester County

Gentⁿ

We have received your letter recommending the Town of Cambridge as the most convenient and proper Place for the independent company of your county to be stationed at,—and as we approve of that Place we have ordered Capt Woolford to station his Company there.

[Council to Gunby.]

No. 49.

To Captain John Gunby

Sir.

We approve of your Conduct in providing Houses, Bedding, Fuel and Utensils for your Company & inclose an Order on