

c. s. c. the Treasurer of the Eastern Shore in your Favour for £150 to disburse the Expences you have incurred in these Matters and subsisting your Recruits. If that is not sufficient you shall be provided with a further Sum. We are not yet supplied with Arms and therefore cannot now furnish you, but will as soon as we are able. By the inclosed you will observe your Company is to be stationed at Princess Anne agreeable to the Recommendation of the Committee of Observation of your County for which we thank them.

10<sup>th</sup> March 1776

No. 50.

[Council to Baltimore Committee.]

To C. Carroll Esq<sup>r</sup> & of the Committee  
Observation for Baltimore County

Annapolis Saturday 12 °Clock at night.

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Half past three oclock this Afternoon the Otter with her Tenders hove in sight, Half past five a Flag was sent with a Letter to the Governor a Copy of which with his Answer you have inclosed. We informed you last Night that very little Provision would fall to their share, this we confirm. We are well prepared to repell any Attempts they may make to land. You will now have no Occasion for Stricker's Company, therefore if you have ordered him to Baltimore Town, countermand it. The President and M<sup>r</sup> Tilghman conferred with two Officers that came on Shore to attend the Flag. They confessed one of their Tenders was in great danger of being taken, but that Cap<sup>t</sup> Squires bore away to prevent great Effusion of Blood. But we conceive that he will loiter about 'till he is reinforced. We perceived a small Vessel making down the Bay not unlikely with Intelligence to the King-Fisher who the Flag said, might be expected to relieve the Otter. Therefore you will be pleased to provide against the worst. We cannot sufficiently commend those brave Sons of Liberty who this Day stood forth so gallantly in Defence of their Country Be assured that we shall afford them every assistance in our power.

10<sup>th</sup> March 1776

[Purviance to Carroll of Carrollton.]

Baltimore 5 oClock Sat<sup>d</sup> Morn<sup>s</sup>

Dear Sir. I'm obliged to you for M<sup>r</sup> Jenifers Letter, I am so perfectly easy about the ship of War disturbing us that I