

c. s. c. and we are persuaded they will attend for that Purpose on any notice your Commissioners will be pleased to give them. We have heard little of the Otter and her Tenders since their leaving this River except that they pillaged a small Island on our Eastern Shore. We are not without expectation of another visit from them and shall be extremely obliged for any Intelligence you may be pleased to communicate to us of their Movements.

P. S. We have just received a letter from Geo. Mason and John Dalton Esq^{rs} requesting the loan of ten barrels of powder which we have supplied them with for the Use of your Colony.

No. 68.

[Council to Plater and Dent.]

To George Plater Esq^r & Brigadier General Dent, severally.
Gentⁿ

In consequence of the inclosed Letter from the Committee of Safety of Virginia, desiring us to appoint Commissioners to cooperate with the Gentlemen nominated by them for erecting Beacons on the Shores of the River Potowmack, We have taken the Liberty to appoint yourself and Brigadier George Dent and we hope it may be agreeable to you to attend at any Meeting their Commissioners may desire for carrying that necessary Measure into Execution.

19th March 1776

c. s. J. Tuesday 19 March 1776. [(In Continuation)]

Ordered That the Committee of Observation for Kent County send under a Guard of a commissioned Officer and two Privates of Captain Veazey's Company two Barrels and an half of Gunpowder out of the Order received from Cap^t Tibbit to the Committee of Observation for Queen Ann's County or to such Person or Persons as they shall appoint to receive it. Also two Barrels to the Committee of Talbot County, and one Barrel to said Committee for the use of the Committee of Caroline County, and 4½ Barrels to M^r Richard Harrison of Cambridge for the use of Dorchester Somerset and Worcester Counties.

Ordered That the Committee of Observation for Dorchester County send under a Guard of a commissioned Officer and two Privates of Captain Woolford's Company one Barrel of Gunpowder, to the Committee of Somerset, and also one Barrel of Gunpowder to the Committee of Worcester County, or to such person or persons as they shall appoint to receive it.