

C. S. C.
No. 70.

[Council to Young.]

To Mr. Hugh Young.

Sir.

We should have answered your Letter of the 11th Instant by M^r Smyth before now, but the Variety of Business before the Council has prevented us. We would have you send out the Nancy Cap^t Wise immediately under the Orders heretofore given, and finish loading the Schooner Ninety two as speedily as possible and send the Captain to us for his sailing Orders.

20th March 1776

Original.

[Maryland Deputies to Council.]

Gent. Cap^t Tibbit in a Brig from Statia, purchased & loaded by Abram Vanbebbber for our Province, arrived here last Week, the Cap^t applied to us for Orders agreeable to Directions, he had received for that purpose from Vanbebbber. We ordered the Cargo to be landed & stored, and the Hands to be discharged,—a few Days since Application was made to us, for the Sale of the Brig to the Congress, which we agreed to, and have delivered her up with the Guns, Stores &c the acc^t relative to her, will be settled in a few Days, & shall be transmitted. You have inclosed a List of the Goods imported, all of which, will be forwarded by the Stages, except the Duck. We have retained this, till your Orders, it is an Article very scarce & dear in this City, if you do not want the whole Quantity, we can sell it, at a Price that will leave a considerable Profit—Congress have advanced 22000 Dollars, to be exchanged for Gold & Silver in your Province, this Money would have been sent you had any convenient Opportunity offered. R. A. who intended for Maryland last Sunday, prevented our writing, by the Saturdays post as he proposed going to Annapolis, and could give you fuller Information of the state of Affairs, than can be contained within the Compass of a Letter. We make no doubt you have heard various reports relative to a M^r Temple, who came passenger in the packet & is now in this City, before his arrival here it was asserted, that he was charged with Dispatches from the Minority to Congress, that Courts were appointed with full powers, and that if on their arrival in America, the different Assemblies refused to treat, they were to treat with Congress; Temple on his arrival, delivered his Budget, which was truly farsical, being only a Button of his Coat, in which was contained a Scrawl from Arthur Lee informing Congress that Troops were to sail from Ireland & for other Particulars referring to Temple, who could give Information, as he Lee had