

selves authorized to exceed the Price ascertained by the late C. S. C. Convention, which was 6^d p^{lb}, therefore have to inform you we cannot advise the Purchase of it at 8^d p^{r lb}

[W. Lux to Council.]

Gentlemen. The inclosed is a letter from M^r Massenbach of thanks for your favours. The bearer M^r Rob^t Porteus comes to solicit an appointment in his stead, he is a young man who has lived some time in this town with Cap^t Ewing as a clerk, in which department he has behaved very well. I believe he does not profess any military knowledge, but if you think him worthy of the station, I dare say he will exert himself: M^r Hughes cast one 18 pounder on Monday & it was bored, he expected to have 4 ready by last night and begs to have a person sent up to prove them that if any fault he may remedy it before he proceeds too far, he thinks these will answer your expectation and turn out exceeding fine, and he can have them down by tuesday or Wednesday next, pray order some person up to prove them directly: M^r Bowly is not yet returned as soon as he does, you will be waited on by,

Gentⁿ Your most obed^t Serv^t

Baltimore 22 March 1776.

Will^m Lux.

Saturday 23^d March 1776.

C. S. J.

Council met. Present as yesterday.

Copies of Letter N^o 81 were sent to Doct^{rs} Ephraim Howard and Samuel Coale respectively.

M^r Nicholas Moore was appointed 2^d Lieut. of Captain John Fulford's Company of Matrosses in the Room of M^r Felix Louis Baron Massenbach who resigned, and M^r William Campbell 3^d Lieutenant of said Company in the Room of M^r Moore. Commissions issued to them accordingly.

Copy of Letter N^o 82 was sent to each Committee of Observation in the Province.

Upon Application of Robert Lee, a Person inlisted by a Sergeant of Capt. Thomas's Company, Ordered That he be discharged on returning his Inlistment & Subsist money.

Ordered That the Treasurer of the Western Shore pay to Mess^{rs} Thomas Charles Williams & Co. twenty two Pounds four Shillings and six pence for [lead] &c as per Account.

Ordered That the said Treasurer pay to Capt. Stone fifty pounds on Account of his Company.

Ordered That the said Treasurer pay to Captain Fulford two hundred Pounds on Account of his Company.