

c. s. c. well as others you may necessarily have incurred in the Service, and hope it will be found adequate to the Purposes for which it is designed, if however it should not, you shall be immediately re-imbursed any Money you may be obliged to expend. We sent to Philadelphia upon the Receipt of your Letter of the 28th February for the continental Regulations relative to Wages and victualling, and desired our Deputies if an Opportunity should offer, to convey them directly to you, which we apprehend has been done, as they have not been transmitted to us, but least they should not have sent them, we will endeavour to inform ourselves of the Pay and lodge an Account of it for you with the Treasurer of the Eastern Shore. We are much obliged to the People of Accomack and Northampton Counties for the Civilities you have experienced from them, and the Pains taken by their Committees to render your Time as easy and agreeable as Circumstances would admit of, and we request you will make our grateful Acknowledgments to them for their Favors. We wish you a happy return.

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[Council to Charles County Committee.]

To the Committee of Observation for Charles County.

Gentⁿ When we requested your Committee to furnish Calvert with one Barrel of Powder, we had not any Fund so convenient, or yet so well supplied as that in Charles. Your intention of complying with the Order at a time when you apprehended it could not be well spared is in Confirmation of all your other Actions, hitherto manifested in promoting the general Welfare. We have wrote to Col^o Joshua Beall to inform us how much Musquet Powder is at Bladensburg; so soon as we are informed thereof a due Proportion shall be sent to Charles County. One Ton of Bullets from Frederick we expect is by this Time with you, Part of which you will spare to St. Mary's and Calvert, should those Counties be in Want. Port Tobacco is the place appointed for Part of Capt. Beall's Company to be stationed at, and we request that you will assist him in providing proper Houses and Firewood for his Men, as well as supplying them with Provisions and other Necessaries 'till they are furnished by the Contractor, which we imagine will be in a few Days.

30th March 1776

[N. Smith to Council.]

Gentlemen. When I had the honour of seeing you last in Annapolis you desired I would commit to writing what would