

c. s. J. County be requested to convey 1 Barrel and 10 Kegs of the Gun Powder, to be sent them by Col. Joshua Beall, to the Committee of Observation for S^t Mary's County; and 1 Barrel and 10 Kegs of the same Powder to the Committee of Calvert County; Also 600 lb Lead to the Committee of S^t Mary's County, and 600 lb Lead to the Committee of Calvert County, for the use of the said Counties.

Adjourned till next Day 10 O'Clock.

C. S. C.
No. 127.

[Circular of Council to Delegates in Convention.]

To the Delegates in Convention.

Gent^a

Very urgent Affairs of the Province require your attendance in Convention, We therefore earnestly request you would meet personally at Annapolis on Tuesday the 7th of May next, at which Time we have determined a Convention ought to be held.

22^d April 1776

No. 128.

[Council to Maryland Deputies.]

To the Deputies for Maryland in Congress.

Gent^a

You have our Thanks for the Anxiety you express on our Accounts, if the Thanks of such blackened insulted (but we think injured) Characters are worth your Acceptance. We must say that if the same Justice were done to us, that we would do unto others in similar Circumstances, a Copy of the anonymous Letter you mention traducing our Reputations would not have been refused us by the Congress—for we sincerely declare to you and the World, that were we in possession of any Paper reflecting in so gross a Manner on that or any other respectable Body on the Continent, we should think it unjust and ungentlemanly to withhold it from them, and by thus secreting prevent the Discovery of the Author of so foul a Calumny, and shelter him from the Censure, not to say, Punishment he deserves.

We wrote you fully in our two last Letters, and sent Copies of all such Papers as we thought material—the Governor voluntarily gave us his Parole in the fullest Manner, and has since confirmed it by Letter, assuring us that he will not leave the Province 'till the Convention sets; we are firmly persuaded he will not stir, or do any Thing against the Peace thereof—he also assured us in the most explicit Terms, that he had