

C. S. J. Commissions iss^d to Rob^t Owen app^d Captⁿ Edw^d Crow
1 L^t Cha^s Penn 2^d L^t & Tho^s Conner Ensign of a Comp^y of
Militia in Lo: Dist: of Fred^k Co^{ty} bel^s to 16th Battalion.

Ord^d That Commiss^y of Stores deliver to L^t Ely Dorsey for
Use of Captⁿ Watkins's Indep^t Comp^y 11 Rifles with Powder
Horns & Pouches, & 27 Muskets with Bullet Moulds equiva-
lent thereto.

Adj^d till next Day 10 o'Clock.

C. S. C.
No. 156.

[Council to Hopkins.]

To Gerard Hopkins Jun^r

Sir:

The Council of Safety are desirous of knowing what public
Arms are at Baltimore Town, in the Magazine, in the hands of
the Manufacturers or elsewhere; and request you would imme-
diately send them down, if there be twenty or upwards, that a
Distribution may be made amongst the Independent Com-
panies. We want but few Arms now including those we have
here to arm all the Companies compleatly.

14th May 1776

Original.

[Ridgely's Memorial.]

To the Hon^{ble} the Convention of the Province of Maryland
now sitting:

The memorial of Henry Ridgely of Elkridge, in Anne
Arundel County most humbly sheweth, that your Memorialist
did early in Life quit a Domestick Happiness to commence
soldier, and had the Honor of Commanding a Company of
Rangers on the western Frontiers of this Province, soon after
the defeat of General Braddock in the year 1755, at which
time the cruel savages were laying waste the Country & mur-
dering the Inhabitants, & that your Memorialist's Conduct &
Behaviour in that service was approved of by Col^l Sharp then
Governor of Maryland, and on your memorialists quitting the
Ranging service was promoted to the Command of the Elk-
ridge Troop of Horse, which station he filled many years, to
the entire Satisfaction of his field officers; Whereupon the
late Governor Sharp promoted him to be a Major of the
County aforesaid, in the year 1761, & he was continued as
such until the year 1773 when the present Governor Eden
raised your Memorialist to the office of Lieutenant Col^l in said
County. Your memorialist further begs leave to inform your
Honours, that after perusing the Proceedings of the Conven-
tion held in the latter part of the year 1774, he was one of