c. s. J. Pounds to pay Expresses and for other Purposes, and that an Account be rendered of the Expenditure of the same. Adjourned till next Day, 10 o'clock

C. S. C. No. 2. [Council to Nicholson.]

To Capt James Nicholson.

Sir

You will please to proceed to Baltimore and wait our further orders; we send this by Mr Middleton, whose boat you may keep with the ship 'till you come off Annapolis, presuming you will not want her further,—if however it should not be necessary for her to attend you, you will order down the Bay to gain what intelligence she can of the ships you left below.

May 30th

No. 3.

[Council to Hill.]

To Captain Duncan Hill.

Sir. You are immediately to return to your Vessel, and convey at the expense and risque of this Province across the Country to the first Inlet to the Northward of Cape Charles such of your Cargo as you may find necessary and proceed round with the residue in y' said Vessel between Smith's Island and Cape Charles. Upon your arrival in that Inlet you are to take on board what you send across by Land, and with the utmost diligence proceed on your Voyage agreeable to former instructions.

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C. S. J.

Friday 31st May 1776.

Met according to Adjournment. Present the same Members as on yesterday, and also Thomas Smyth Esq who was qualified before Mr. Hall by taking the Oath prescribed by the Convention.

Copy of Letter Nº 4 was sent to Mr Hugh Young of Baltimore Town, Copy of No 5 to the Committee of Observation for Baltimore County Copy of N° 6 to the Honble Committee of Safety for the Colony of Virginia, and Copy of Nº 7 to Capt. James Nicholson of the Ship Defence.

Commissions issued to Thomas Wilson appointed Captain, John Ken 1 Lieutenant, Robert Tate second Lieutenant and

Forrester Ensign of a Company of Militia in Queen

Ann's County belonging to the 20th Battalion.

Ordered That the Treasurer of the Western Shore pay to Col. Henry Hollingsworth of Cæcil County five hundred