

c. s. c. as first Lieutenant, Thomas Outten as second Lieutenant and Angelo Atkinson as Ensign of said Company :
 p order of the Committee
 R. Dennis Clk.

c. s. J.

Saturday 1st June 1776.

Met according to Adjournment. Present the same Members as on yesterday.

Ordered That the Treasurer of the Western Shore pay to Thomas Smyth Esq^r sixty Pounds common Money to be lodged in the Hands of the Committee of Observation for Kent County for the Purpose of defraying the Expence of the Carriage of Gunpowder from Indian River to Chester Town.

Ordered That the said Treasurer pay to Thomas Smyth Esq^r forty two Pounds ten Shillings for 10 Musquets purchased by him for the use of the Province.

Copy of Letter N^o 8 was sent to the Deputies of Maryland in Congress, & Copy of N^o 9 to the Committee of Observation for Baltimore County.

Adjourned till Monday 10 o'Clock.

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 No. 8.

[Council to Maryland Deputies.]

To the Deputies of Maryland in Congress.

Gent^l

We send M^r Steuard to Philadelphia to take a View of the Gondolas built at that city, we expect to contract with him for building most of those that are ordered to be built for our province. the difference of tide in our Bay from that in Delaware will we apprehend necessarily occasion some alteration in the manner of building and rigging our Gondolas from those of Pennsylvania, we wish to have your sentiments on this subject after conferring with M^r Steuard.

All is quiet at Annapolis, the Governors boat is just returned from Virginia with Secretary Smith, and brings a Letter from Commodore Hamond of the Roebuck to the Governor which we have seen, he is to be sent for shortly, the letter is dated at Gwinns Island, (which we take to be near Pianketank between the mouth of Potowmack and Rhappahannock) the letter informs they came there to compleat their wood and water; private intelligence says the Island is of some miles extent and has stock of Cattle, Sheep &c thereon; and that they are casting up intrenchments to defend themselves against the militia—how long they will remain there is uncertain, our Islands will probably be plundered next, and they