

At a special meeting of the Committee 21 July 1775. C. J.²

M^r Samuel Purviance in the Chair. 20 members.

A Letter from the Deputies of this Province at the Continental Congress was laid before the Committee wherein they inform the Committee that they had laid the Proceedings on M^r Christies Letter before the Congress, and that body thought it proper to refer it to the Provincial Convention.

To M^r Sam^l Purviance, Chairman of the Committee.

The following Letter was laid before the Committee.

“ Sir. July 21. 1775.

I am now a little better, and the Doctor is of opinion, that fresh air and moderate exercise would contribute much to restoring my health. I have to entreat of you to represent this to the Committee and to request of them for me that if they think proper I may have my liberty for the above purpose on my giving such security as the committee may require for my appearance before them when required.

Your favor in this will oblige

S^r Y^r mo. obed^t Serv^t James Christie Jun^r”

On considering the premises the Committee refer the determination to a fuller committee on Monday next, and in the mean time that M^r Christie may be permitted to ride out attended by his guard.

At a meeting of the Committee 24 July 1775.

M^r Sam^l Purviance in the Chair. 40 members.

M^r Robert Christie appeared in behalf of M^r James Christie and requested that his Guard might be dismissed on security being given to the satisfaction of the Committee for his appearance before the Committee or Provincial Convention when thereunto required, and that he would not depart the Province without their permission. Which being debated it was resolved to accept five Securities by a majority of 21 to 14, and accordingly the following security was entered into and signed.

(Vide the original) Copy from the Minutes) Will^m Lix Secretary

I do hereby solemnly engage not to depart this Province without the Permission and consent of the Committee of Observation for Baltimore County, or the Provincial Convention first had and obtained, as witness my hand this 24 day of July 1775.

James Christie Jun^r

Witness. Robt. Alexander, Rich^d Buchanan.