

Thursday the 20th instant, at which time we shall be glad to see as many of you as can be spared from Congress.

We request you will make the enquiry directed by the inclosed resolve of our late Convention and transmit us an account of the standard proof of Cannon as early as possible. our guns are 9 & 18 Pounds.

10th June 1776.

[Council to Hancock.]

No. 21.

To the Hon^{ble} Jn^o Hancock Esq^r President of the Congress.

Sir. Your favour of the 4th Ins^t enclosing resolves of the hon^{ble} Congress we received to day at one oclock.

Our authority not being competent to order the marching of our militia out of the Province, we have called a meeting of our Convention to be held at the city of Annapolis on the 20th of this month, at which time we shall lay your letter with the resolves before them.

We are sorry for the reverse our affairs have lately met with in Canada; but trusting in the justice of our cause and the active spirit of our countrymen, we hope matters will soon wear a different aspect in that quarter.

Be assured, Sir, of our utmost exertions at this critical crisis to prevent the impending calamities which threaten this continent, and that the province of Maryland will continue to act with firmness in the common cause until peace may be happily restored.

10th June 1776

Tuesday 11 June 1776.

C. S. J.

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

Ordered That the Treasurer of the Western Shore pay to Cap^t William Waters ten pounds common money for transporting Military Stores from Annapolis to Baltimore Town, and from thence to the Eastern Shore.

M^r John Muir appointed Accountant to the Board of Accounts appeared before the Council and qualified himself as such by taking the Oath directed by the Convention to be taken by the Clerk to the Council of Safety except instead of the Words "as Clerk to the Council of Safety" inserting, "as Accountant to the Board of Accounts."

Commissions issued to the following persons appointed Officers of Militia in the Middle District of Frederick County and added to the 34th Battalion there, to wit,