

Friday 14 June 1776.

C. S. J.

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

Ordered That the Commissary of Stores deliver out of the Magazine at Annapolis to Henry Yost and John Unseld all the Musquets by them respectively made, which were ordered by the late Convention to be returned to the said Yost and Unseld as unfit for Service.

Copy of Letter N^o 23 was sent to Mr Jesse Hollingsworth, and Copy of N^o 24 to the Deputies of Maryland in Congress.

Ordered That the Treasurer of the Western Shore pay to William Hannah of Queen Ann's County two hundred and fifty Pounds common money to enable him to carry on a Salt-Work agreeable to a Resolution of the late Convention.

Adjourned till next Day 10 O'Clock.

[Council to Hollingsworth.]

C. S. C.
No. 23.

To Mr. Jesse Hollingsworth.

Sir.

We have received your letters with regard to the vessels sunk at Whetstone point, and altho' you declined acting in your first letter, we are pleased to find you have since accepted of the trust reposed in you by the Council of Safety, and we find by your last letter that you have in part executed the same by raising several of the vessels.—You are desirous of having some further instructions about repairing and valuing the vessells after they are raised. We must beg leave to refer you to the proceedings of the last Convention page (13) where you will see what we are directed to do, and also we refer to our former instructions by which you are requested after raising the vessels to cause them to be rigged and put in same state they were in before they were sunk, as near as may be—and then you or any two of you are to cause them severally to be reappraised on oath by persons you may appoint—to which we shall add nothing further at present, only request you to advise with Captain Nicholson in all your proceedings, and to take care your men appointed be free from any partiality or just objection, and that they make regular returns of appraisement to us; we doubt not you will do what is right and then the owners cannot complain, or if they do, their unjust allegations will be little attended to, we believe, by the Convention who are shortly to meet.

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