

[Montagu to Eden.]

Original.

Fowey off Annapolis M^d 23^d June 1776.

Sir. I have the happiness to acquaint you that last night I arrived here with his Britannick Majesty's ship the Fowey under my Command, agreeable to an order from Captain Hammond of his Majesty's ship the Roebuck, and senior officer of his Majestys ships at Virginia, and in consequence of your application to him, I have hoisted the flag of truce at my foretop gallant masthead to shew that I am not come in an hostile manner, and of which I desire you will be pleased to acquaint the Inhabitants, that they may not offer any insults to my officers & boats and on my part I shall hold the truce most sacred. I have the pleasure to acquaint you that every accomodation the Fowey can afford is at your and your friends service, and that my boats shall at any time be ready to attend your coming off; and sent for your property.

I am Sir, Your very hum^l Serv^t Geo. Montagu.

To His Excellency Robert Eden Esq^r

Monday 24th June 1776.

C. S. J.

Met according to Adjournment. Present the same members as on yesterday, except Major Jenifer.

M^r Hall attended.

Ordered That the Treasurer of the Western Shore pay to Cap^t Luke Marbury three pounds, seven shillings and six Pence Curry, for part of his Comp^y ordered on Duty by the Committee of Observation.

Permit granted to John Riddell of the Colony of Virginia, to pass from any Sea Port Town in this Province to Europe with his Baggage (he having first produced a Passport from the Committee of Safety of Virginia licensing such Departure).

Copy of Letter N^o 36 was sent to George Montagu Esq^r Commander of the Fowey.

Copy of Letter N^o 37 was sent to his Excellency Rob^t Eden Esq^r

M^r Hayward has leave of absence.

Copy of Letter N^o 38 was sent to Col^o Matthews of Accomack County.

The Council agreed with Mess^{rs} Jenifer and Hooe to load the Schooner John, according to Charter-party of this date filed.

Ordered, That John Allen Thomas march the independent Company under his command to Cedar Point or Susquehanna, in the lower parts of St. Mary's County, and guard the shores from thence to the river Potowmack, to prevent any servants, negroes, or others from going on board the Fowey ship of