Gentlemen here, as yet not brought off. Wishing peace and c. s. c. prosperity to the province on Constitutional principles, I am Sir.

Your obed' humble Servant, Rob' Eden.

To Charles Carroll Esqr Bars

[Montagu to Carroll.]

Original.

Fowey off Annapolis 24th June 1776

Sir It is my wish in every respect inviolably to preserve the Truce under which His Majesty's ship Fowey came up this Bay for his Excellency your Governour, and as soon as his Effects are all on board, which I expect them to be to morrow morning, the Fowey will return to the Fleet, without committing any Hostility if His Majesty's Colours receive no Insult.

With regard to the servants for whose return you apply, my Instructions prohibit my discharging them to suffer perhaps a severe and Ignominious servitude, nor is it in my power to deliver up any subjects of His Majesty who embrace his service, and risk their lives in seizing an opportunity for that

purpose.

The Orders to His Majesty's ships are peremptory, to receive all persons well affected, and give them every protection. Such boats alongside this ship as are the property of any Inhabitants of Maryland shall under the Truce be immediately restored to the persons claiming them: I intended to have had them landed this Evening. I hope that no Obstruction will be given to the remainder of Gover Eden's Baggage, and that of the Gentlemen going down with him being immediately put on board, as I have orders to proceed down the Bay, as soon as that service which brought me up is Compleated. I am, Sir, your humble Servant

Ch^s Carroll, Esq.

Geo. Montagu

Tuesday 25th June 1776.

C. S. J.

Met according to Adjournment. Same Members present as on yesterday. Maj' Jenifer attended.

Commission issued to Zepheniah Beall appointed Ensign of Captain Orme's Company of Militia in Frederick County belonging to the 16th Battalion.

Ordered, That the Treasurer of the Western Shore pay to Thomas Briscoe fifteen shillings, for going express on Acc^t of

Nº Carolina Prisoners

Copy of Letter N° 42 was sent to Colos Hall and Weems of Ann Arundel County respectively.