

C. S. C. you 43 musquets and 17 Rifles in good order, that you may be enabled to defeat any such designs. You will by the return of the Cart send us such of the arms as you now have, that are so defective and bad that cannot be used. We imagine that these muskets and rifles are more than you will want at Drumpoint and that the overplus you will send to Captⁿ Thomas—we expect that arms are arrived at Port Tob^o for the Troops stationed there before this Time.

25th June, 1776

No. 44.

[Council to Capt. Montagu.]

Sir. By command of the Council of Safety I inclose you their resolution of yesterday, which expresses the occasion of discontinuing an intercourse with the Fowey, which was wished and expected to end more satisfactorily. Any measures that may be attempted for the ostensible cause of stopping the Governor's baggage, must properly be imputed to your breach of the truce, and will be resented in full proportion to the injury.

[Dan^l of S^t Thomas Jenifer Pres^t]

Original.

[Montagu to Jenifer.]

Fowey Off Annapolis the 25th of June 1776.

Sir. I have been waiting all this day for the return of the boat with the remainder of the Governors baggage, but to my great astonishment perceive she is still alongside the wharf; and as I yesterday received a letter from M^r Carroll on behalf of your board, am apprehensive she is detained. If that is the case it will break off the Truce that is now subsisting between his Majesty's ship under my command, and the province of Maryland.

I desire that you will be pleased to let me know the reason of this delay of the boat, that I may take my measures accordingly; and desire that his Majestys boat now sent on shore, will return with an immediate answer.

I am Sir, Your humble Servant :

Geo. Montagu.

To the President of the Council of Safety :

It being represented that Tho^s Selby, W^m Orme and Leonard Pearel enrolled in the Company formerly commanded by Captⁿ Beall, now Captⁿ Bracco's refuse to join their Corps now at the