

C. S. C.
No. 94.

[Council to C. Beatty and others.]

Commissioners of Gun Lock Manufactory
Gentⁿ

As a considerable time has elapsed since your erecting your Gun Lock factory, we are in great hopes you have made a number for the use of this Province.

The Province is in great distress for arms—few of the Troops raised for the flying Camp are supply'd with them, & the Militia will not lend theirs. There is an absolute necessity therefore that you immediately send them down what Locks you have. We expect Firelocks from Jn^o Yost, they may come from thence if you contrive them there. We desire also to know how many Locks you make per week. We have Barrels enough here and in Kent for the Locks you can make.
30th July 1776

No. 95.

[Council to Price.]

Major Thomas Price

Sir. We have given orders to Captⁿ Mantz to march down to St Marys to take the place of Captⁿ John Allen Thomas's Company until further orders—you will be pleased to station him in such manner as may be most for the public service, and we request that Cap^t Thomas's Company may immediately march to the Northward according to the order of Convention.

The Cannon that were sent down will be wanted here—should the men of war be gone off, which we expect either is or soon will be the case, we request you would order the Cannon to the mouth of Patuxent, and let them be brought up here by water if the passage appear safe—otherwise you are to order them up by land. Nothing new from New York, only that the highlanders not taken by our Cruizers are arrived.

When all is quiet below, we expect to have the pleasure of seeing you here.

30th July 1776

No. 96.

[Council to Chamberlaine.]

To Brig^r Gen^l Chamberlaine
Sir.

We shall esteem it a particular favor, if you'll have an examination made of the Powder in your Magazine, and give us an acc^t as well of the number of Barrels of Cannon as musquet, & when we receive the acc^t we shall take care to make such regulation as will leave a suffi^t quant^y of each kind to answer every purpose. You must continue your militia