Guards over the Powder until the place of Capt Hindman's C. S. C. Company is supplied by a Flying Camp Company, when they will be raised armed & equip'd for that or any other purpose, you can ascertain full as well if not better than we can, as to the number of men requisite for a Guard, you must certainly be a more competent judge than we can be. 30th July

[Council to Barnes and Elliott.]

No. 97.

Capt<sup>s</sup> Barnes & Elliott

Gent" You are requested to furnish Capt. Dean with as much Ammunition & Flints as will be necessary for his Compy, while it continues upon Kent Island out of the Powder, Lead & Flints deld to you by the Council of Safety. July 30th 1776

[Council to Griest.]

No. 98.

Mr Isaac Griest

Sir. We received the several patterns of wooden Bottles alias Kegs. We should be much obliged to you to bespeak two thousand of them, of the sort marked at 2/7—we approve of it, & imagine you can engage a quantity much cheaper than a single one; we desire you will bespeak them immediately. 30th July 1776

[Queen Anne's County Committee to Council.]

Original.

Gentlemen.

30th July 1776. We take the liberty to inform you that Cap' Dean's company are armed and have marched to Kent Island agreeable to their orders, and that Capt Dames's Company are full but we are clear of opinion that arms cannot be got for them in this county. We believe between twenty and thirty Firelocks may be had on Kent Island on loan for the Defence of any part of this county but the people will not part with them to go out of the county, and indeed these are the terms upon which chief of the Arms lent to Capt Deans company have been procured.

We thought it necessary to give you this information relative to Capt Dames's company that you may take such steps

as may be in your power to furnish them with arms.

Capt Dames is in a very disagreable situation with his men who are continually complaining to him of the want of employment, and of the necessity they have been under of boarding themselves out until they receive orders to march.

By order of the Committee I am y' obed' Serv' Turbutt Wright Chairman