on matters relative to the Flying Camp. It wou'd have given me pleasure to have received this request earlier, for at an election in this county for Delegates to serve in Convention, I have (very unexpectedly) been poll'd, and now stand

second on the polls.

This distinguished mark of the approbation of the Freemen of this County, forbid my leaving them at this time, and coud I be permitted to hold both posts, do think I shoud be wrong in attempting it, therefore take the earliest opportunity of resigning my Commission into the Hands of the Honble Body that honored me with it. Altho' I am well convinced, when I consider the two departments, that my abilities in the military must excell any I have in the Legislature, but must submit this to the choice of the Freemen of my County. I have the honor to be with much esteem and respect,

Gentlemen Your obed Hble. Serv Iames Kent.

Thursday 8 August 1776.

C. S. J.

Council met. Present the same members as on yesterday. Copy of Letter No. 127 was sent to the Committee of Observation for the Middle District of Frederick County.

Ordered That the Treasurer of the Western Shore pay to Major Price three hundred pounds to be lodged with the Committee of Observation for the Middle District of Frederick County for the Purchase of Arms and Blankets.

That the said Treasurer pay to William Lavely five Pounds eleven Shillings and a penny for 1010 lb Bread furnished the

Hospital in Baltimore Town.

That the said Treasurer pay to John Leypold forty five Shillings for 3 Days Services in examining Flour in Baltimore Town.

That the said Treasurer pay to M^r Robert Cummins One thousand Pounds.

Adjourned till 3 O'Clock & met accordingly.

Commissions issued to the following Officers of a Company in Col. Griffith's Battalion.

Benjamin Spyker Capt. dated 26 July Greenbury Gaither 1 L^t D^o Richard Anderson 2 L^t 5 Augt Nicholas Scybert Ens. D^o

Ordered That the Treasurer of the Western Shore pay to the honble Daniel of St Thomas Jenifer Esquire twenty