

was unanimously chose. I having been appointed to a first Lieutenantcy in the said company and a commission confer'd by the Honourable Council of Safety at the time being, now beg leave to resign the same (being inclosed) having a daily expectation of a marine commission from the Honourable Continental Congress. In the interim am and shall ever remain a strenuous advocate for the welfare of America and beg leave to subscribe myself

Honor^d Sir Your most obed^t & obliged Humble Serv^t
Thomas Pownall

C. S. J.

Saturday 10th August 1776.

Council met. Present the same members as on yesterday. Commissions issued to Benjamin Galloway—appointed Captain, and Aaron Welsh first Lieutenant of a Company of Militia in Col. John Weems's Battalion.

Ordered that the Treasurer of the Western Shore pay to John Yost fifty pounds common money being the Ballance due him on his Contract with the Council of Safety in November last.

Ordered that the said Treasurer pay to said John Yost four hundred Pounds to enable him to manufacture good substantial Musquets for the Public.

That the said Treasurer pay to Capt. Uriah Forrest Eighty Pounds on Account of his Company.

That the said Treasurer pay to Joseph Eastman four Pounds ten Shillings for a Musquet.

That the said Treasurer pay to Christopher Rabreck thirty four Pounds nineteen Shillings and two Pence for 93 $\frac{1}{3}$ Dozen Priming Wires and Brushes.

That the said Treasurer pay to William Jacob fourteen Pounds seventeen Shillings and three Pence for Tent making.

Adjourned till Monday Morning 10 O'Clock.

Original.

[Lyon to Council.]

Prince George's County August 10th 1776.

Gentlemen: To comply with your request for purchasing arms and blankets, the Committee of Observation for the County aforesaid find it necessary to have a sum of money not exceeding fifty pounds for that purpose. If you think proper they would be glad to receive that sum by the first safe hand and am for and on behalf of the Committee.

Gentlemen, Your mo Hble Serv^t
Hugh Lyon.