

therefore mentioned it to you submitting whether such an order would not be proper. One thing also give me leave to mention, the victualler at Annapolis will find the troops coming by water, but little salt provision. I drew two days provision, chiefly fresh, all the fresh was so totally spoiled on the second day, that we could not use a morsel of it, it must happen so to others, and I submit it whether it would not be better to direct him to furnish the Troops going by water principally with salt provision whilst the hot weather continues. For want of salt provision I have been obliged to buy on the passage at extravagant prices. I hope the freedom I have taken will be excused by Gent.

Your most obed^t Hble Serv^t
J. A. Thomas.

[H. Hollingsworth's memorial.]

To the Honourable The Council of Safety of Maryland: the memorial of your memorilist. Humbly sheweth that your Memorilist did provide provisions waggons shallops wood and other necessaries for the Maryland and Virginia troops on their way from the Head of Elk, to the Flying Camp.—that your Memorialist being unprovided with salt provisions, and other necessaries, was under the disagreeable necessity of giving more,—Frequently for Provisions for said troops than reasonably may be supposed by Gentlemen unacquainted with the circumstance of the matter, he seldom knowing when they would arrive till they did and in some cases being informed off and expecting troops and making provisions for them, was disapointed and oblidged to salt and sometimes sell, said provisions for considerably less than it cost, bread in such cases entirely lost, this together with the provisions being to be made and provided at the several different places, the weather being warm of course rendered it impossible to transport them from one place to the other with Safety salt not to be had this being a just representation of the case your Memorialist beg leave to lay it before and assure your Honors that if his accounts are settled in the common way he shall be a very considerable sufferer, submitting the whole of the premises to your honours consideration, not doubting of such Indulgence in this particular case as justice and the necessity of the case may require & your Memorialist as in duty bound &c. Will
H. Hollingsworth:

[Gibson and others to Council.]

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Gentelmen of the Hnb. Bord of Safty of Maryland now seting:
Where as it dos appear that M^r Nicklas Thomas has resined