

[Council to Hollingsworth.]

C. S. C.
No. 150.

To Colonel Henry Hollingsworth

Sir. We received yours of the 14th of August and are of opinion your plan for forwarding the Troops is a very good one, and therefore we approve of it. Any expenses that may be incurred you will be pleased to pay, and send down the accounts properly authenticated and you shall be reimbursed, besides satisfaction for your trouble. When you want cash apply with the order inclosed to the Eastern Shore Treasurer and he will let you have three hundred Pounds. What further may be expended let us know and you shall be paid. We would have you apply with all diligence to making Bayonets, and also Barrels of every kind, more especially the large ones contracted for.

19th August 1776

[Council to Ewing.]

No. 151.

To Colonel Ewing

Sir. We received yours of the 18th and observe your Complaint which arises not from us, but a very different cause, we mean your Companies not being Armed.—The order of Convention is that all the Companies are to March that can be armed and equipped. Captain Forrest and Captain Brooks have no Armes but what they have Borrowed or can borrow of the Militia, we have therefore ordered them to their Stations in Calvert and Saint Marys to supply the place of Captain Beall and Captain Thomas. Captain Hansen's Company we have ordered to March to this City and also Cap^s Bowie and Tillard on their way to the Camp, when they can get armed and equipped. When that can be done, we shall give you the proper orders on the Commissary of Stores. We are sorry to have occasion so often to repeat what we had before told you, that your Companies are not to March unarmed. As soon as they get arms we shall order them to March immediately.

19 August 1776

[Council to Kent Committee.]

No. 152.

To the Committee of Observation Kent County.
Gentlemen.

The Co. of S. request you will buy up what wooden bottles you can, not exceeding 300, for the use of the Province. The order of Convention for the marching of our Troops was rather unexpected and our workmen cannot supply the Bottles so expeditiously as the service requires.

19th August 1776.