Bushells of Coal, if you can hire vessells to bring the same up c. s. c.—the Freight as also the value of the Vessell if taken by the Enemy will be paid by the State of Maryland.

28 August 1776.

hope I shall in a short time

[Boucher to Jenifer.]

Original.

Yaocomico 30th August 1776. Sir. To morrow I shall quit this place and proceed down the Bay with the Tobacco loaded Brigg, on seeing her safe out to sea, shall return to Williamsburgh and resign my Commission. Should Cap^t Nicholson quit the Defence, I will accept the command, provided my pay is equal to what I have in this province and that I shall be permitted to go to sea with the ships. I shall be under the necessity of being at home, at least a fortnight, after my return from W^{ms}burgh. Imediately on my return will pay you a visit at Annapolis. I am sorry I had not the pleasure of seeing Cap^t Nicholson, I

Your most obed Serv John Tho Boucher.

[Lowe and Burgess to Convention.]

Original,

To the Honourable Convention of Maryland.

Trent Town Aug 30th 1776.

I am Sir.

Gentⁿ We understand that there is two Bata^{ns} of Regulars to be raised in Maryland for the Continental Service and as we are now in the Flying Camp in said service the whole of our people as well as ourselves have a desire of standing as Regulars in the aforesaid service. We therefore beg your Honours to have said Company constituted Regulars or give us an equal chance to raise a company for that purpose, which will much oblige Your obed^t Hble Servants

John Hawkins Lowe John M. Burgess

Horatio Clagett will thankfully accept of a Lieutenant's commission and no other

N. B. I should be glad M^r Claggett could be continued in my company J. H. L. William Duvall.

Saturday, August 31st 1776.

c. s. J.

Council met. Present the same members as on yesterday, except M^r Carroll.

Ordered That Eastern shore Treasurer pay to Dr John Hindman three pounds, eleven shillings & six Pence for attending Captⁿ Goldsborough's Company of Flying Camp.