

c. s. J. Ordered That they be put under the care of Mr Thomas Price, and delivered by him to the Committee of observation for Somerset County, who are required to take security according to the above order.

W<sup>m</sup> Tumblesome discharged on his Parole not to leave Annapolis, until the further order of the Council of Safety.

John Evans, John Price and Robert Howarth discharged upon giving Bond with security.

Adjourned till next Day 10 °Clock.

C. S. C.  
No. 184.  
[180.]

[Council to Cooke.]

To Captain George Cooke, Saint Mary's County.  
Sir.

We have the pleasure to inform you that you were yesterday appointed Commander of the Ship Defence now lying at Annapolis, bound out on a Cruise; and the Honourable Convention have directed us to inform you of this appointment and to request your immediate attendance to take the command of said Ship.

13 September 1776

No. 185.  
[181.]

[Council to B. Rumsey and J. Tilghman.]

To Colonel Benjamin Rumsey & Jam<sup>s</sup> Tilghman Esq<sup>r</sup>  
Gentlemen.

We are directed by the Convention to request your Attendance in the Council of Safety immediately—be pleased to signify when you can attend. The President is left with only three others who are Members of the House, and the Convention do not incline to any new appointment untill they hear from the absent Members.

13 September 1776

c. s. c.

[Secret Committee of Congress to Council.]

Philad<sup>a</sup> Sept<sup>r</sup> 13<sup>th</sup> 1776.

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We have been applyed to for a supply of powder for the Continental Frigate built at Baltimore which shou'd have been ordered down there, but as we understand you have a sufficient quantity at that place and as there is some powder due to the Continent from your state, we request the fav<sup>r</sup> of you to supply Mess<sup>rs</sup> W<sup>m</sup> Lux, Sam<sup>l</sup> Purviance and David Stewart with four Tons and a half of gun powder for the use of the said Frigate and for proving her Cannon &<sup>c</sup> and hereafter we will repay you in powder the ballance that will then become due