

thened with several useless articles in bulky furniture as well as medicines and the expenses made in putting them in order would be likewise thrown away. If I add to this, that our hospital is perhaps crowded equally to that in Annapolis and wants medicines, and considering that this may be deemed the safest place for the Repository, if at any time any disturbance should happen in the province. The Defence & Resolution as well as the Frigate have been from time to time supplyd with medicines which is another reason I must give.

Doctor Toothill at his first accession to his majority, gave me an Invoice of Medicines he wanted, but as we had not the fourth part of them neither in quantity or at all I furnished him with what we had, and when in Philadelphia I made enquiry, the whole city could not have furnished the half. I assorted our shop as well as the scarcity would admit of. I have not received any order from the Doctor since, for a supply, which is about ten days ago I got a little supply should have furnished him if he would retrench his prescriptions to the present situation of affairs.

I shall however deliver every thing according to order of the Council whenever it is so desired along with the Patients.

Chyrurgical Instruments are not in my possession except a few Lancets, a Bullet forceps and some needles, as well as 3 small Catheters, having hitherto made use of my own instruments. The Capital Instruments are on board the Defence and in Annapolis. I beg to excuse my intruding on your patience and am with due respect.

Your most obed^t Hble Serv^t
C Wiesenthal

Baltimore Town Sept 25th 1776.

C. S. J.

Thursday 26th September 1776.

Council met. Present as on yesterday. M^r Thomas attended.

Warrant granted to W^m Ridgeway of Queen Anns County to raise a Company, agreeable to the resolves of last Convention.

Ordered That W: Shore Treasurer pay to Lieut^t Mark Benton for the use of Captain Ridgeway four hundred and twenty nine Pounds, for Bounty and one months pay.

Ordered That said Treasurer pay to Doct^r J: Hall of Colonel Griffith's Battalion of Flying Camp twenty Pounds, for Advance.

Copy of Letter N^o 189 was sent to Captⁿ James Nicholson.

Ordered That Western Shore Treas^r pay to John Bullen two hundred Pounds for the purchase of two horses, a Cart, or light Waggon & proper Geers