

C. S. C. trifling a quantity of Canvass at a Time when we were informed that no less than 2000 Bolts were imported to Phil<sup>a</sup> by Congress in one vessel.

25<sup>th</sup> Sep<sup>t</sup> 1776

No. 194.

[Council to Lux & Bowley.]

Mess<sup>rs</sup> Lux & Bowley

We are told by M<sup>r</sup> Stephen Steuard that you heretofore engaged to furnish him with cordage for our armed vessels by this time, but that you have not got any ready for him—we are in very great want of that Article and desire to be immediately enformed when you can supply him, that if it cannot be done within a reasonable Time at y<sup>r</sup> Yard, we may endeavour to provide it some where else—disappointments of this nature especially ought to be avoided, as the consequences may prove very injurious.

Sept. 27<sup>th</sup> 1776.

Original.

[Officers of Caroline Militia to Council.]

Caroline County Sep<sup>t</sup> 27<sup>th</sup> 1776.

Gentlemen. Agreeable to the resolve of Convention, we have had a meeting of the two Battalions in this County, in order to see who would step forth as Officers for the Company to be raised in this county, when the Gentlemen offered themselves as follows:

Capt William Haslett	} Captains	{	M <sup>r</sup> Ambrose Mitchell	} Lieuts
Capt. Nema <sup>a</sup> Andrew			M <sup>r</sup> John Milbourn Walls as	
Lieut William Rich			M <sup>r</sup> William Chipley Ensign	
M <sup>r</sup> James White				

And we are of opinion that the Proper Officers to be commissioned of the above mentioned persons are M<sup>r</sup> William Hasslett as Cap<sup>t</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Ambrose Mitchell as first Lieut, M<sup>r</sup> John Milboun Walls 2 Lieut, and M<sup>r</sup> William Chipley Ensign.

We are Gent your most obedient Servants.

Matthew Driver, Major & Commander  
of the 14<sup>th</sup> Battalion of Militia  
Benson Stainton Lieut Colo of the  
20<sup>th</sup> Battalion of Militia

C. S. J.

Saturday, September 28<sup>th</sup> 1776.

Council met. Present as on yesterday.

Copy of Letter N<sup>o</sup> 195 was sent to Col<sup>o</sup> John Read.

Commissions issued to Sam<sup>l</sup> Evans app<sup>d</sup> Captain

Henry Dobson 1 L<sup>t</sup>

Thomas Ramsay 2 L<sup>t</sup>

W<sup>m</sup> Steuart Ensign

of a Company in Cæcil County.