

C. S. C.
No. 238.

[Council to Van Bibber and Harrison.]

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Your favors of the 17th ult. we just now received and are glad to hear of the Arrival of Martin and Beck. We have not received any letter from you, advising us of the arrival of Handy, who is returned without bringing a scrip of a Pen from Eustatia. Larguire is not yet arrived that we hear of. We refer you to our letter of the 12th September a copy of which you have inclosed, and which we confirm. You have also a copy of a resolution of Convention and wish that you may have it in y^r power to execute the Commission to the extent of twenty five thousand pounds in continental or Provincial Currency, by drawing Bills upon the Council of Safety, or State for the time being of this Province, or upon Mess^{rs} Willing & Morriss & Comp^y of Philadelphia. We wish you had in your last quoted the Price Curr^t. of Tob^o Flour and Corn that we might have been enabled to ship such commodities as would have answered best. We are now shipping on board different vessels to your Address Tob^o Flour and Bread to strengthen your hands, and draw upon the Council, or upon Messrs. Willing & Morriss as often as you can, to the aforesaid Amt.

P. S. Curwen is safe arrived

Mess. Vanbibber & Harrison

Oct. 25th 1776

Original.

[Haley's Petition.]

The Humble Petition of Caleb Hayley belonging to the Prince Georges Battallion of Militia, most Humbly,

Sheweth that your Petitioner came to Annapolis Voluntarily with a Party of Men belonging to the said Battalion where being on Duty received a hurt by a fall which compell'd him to go to the Hospital and was so dangerously Ill for the space of six Weeks that his Life was Despair'd of, and has render'd him entirely uncapable of Labouring, and as he has no other Method of getting a Livelihood is now reduc'd to a most deplorable Condition and as he has no other View of being reliev'd from this Miserable Situation but by your Honours Generosity with the advice of his Officers (whose Names are hereunto Subscribed) to apply to you.

Hoping Honourable Gentlemen that you will take his Case into Consideration and be so well Pleas'd as to Order him Payment for the time of Sickness which is now seven Weeks and your Petitioner if in Case of Necessity will be always ready to stand in Defence of the Country to his last Breath hopes that your Honours will Comply with his Request and Your Petitioner in Duty bound, shall ever Pray

Septem^r 10th 1776.

Caleb Hayley