

c. s. c. each, it is carded for them. The Doubling and twisting is new to me, and perhaps it may be so to others, and if it prove useful, my intention will be gratified. If the tow thread is warped and filled in with ordinary wove, it will make good fernaught and Bedding. I am your affectionate Servant

To  
The Honourable Council of Safety }  
Annapolis }  
with a paper parcel of stockings. }

Stephen West.

c. s. J. Thursday, November 7<sup>th</sup> 1776.

Council met. Present as on yesterday.

Ordered That Western shore Treasurer pay to Thomas Pryse twenty six shillings, and eight Pence.

Ordered That said Treasurer pay to John Bullen fifty six Pounds, seven shillings and three Pence

Ordered That said Treasurer pay to Peter Rich six Pounds.

Ordered That Ch<sup>s</sup> Wallace pay to John Dorsee of Captain Gunby's Company one month's wages.

Adjourned 'till next Day 10 o'Clock.

c. s. c. [Woolsey to Council.]

Baltimore of 7<sup>th</sup> Nov<sup>r</sup> 1776.

Gentlemen.

Yesterday I received a few lines from M<sup>r</sup> Ridgely by your orders Requesting my presence at Annapolis to take charge of a ten Gun Schooner, he also says he wrote me a few days before, which I never have rec<sup>d</sup> if I had should have answered it. I am much obliged to you Gentlemen for your good opinion of me in Giveing me a preference, and I wish my health would have permitted me to except of it. at present I am under the care of Doctor Wesenthall, and he will not permitt me to be out at night or get wet. Such a person I am sure is not fit to serve the publick in the capacity you propose for me.

Within this week I think I am something better (and he gives me hopes) if I get able by the Spring be assured I will not draw back my service from the Publick. I expect my brother here every day, on his arrivall I shall write you about him. I know he has offerd his service to the Publick, and believe he does not intend to draw back, I wish he would suit you for this Vessell as I make no doubt of his Excepting of it, he is now at Colon<sup>l</sup> Trevers on Hooper's Island, was sick when he went there, but Expect him every day.

I am Gentlemen Your very H<sup>le</sup> Serv<sup>t</sup>  
Geo. Woolsey.