Friday November 8th 1776   C. S. J.

Council met.   Present as on yesterday.

The Council of Safety contracted with Jacob Madeira for two hundred pair of shoes, and ordered That Western shore Treasurer pay to Jacob Madeira sixty Pounds, for the above Contract.

Ordered That Western shore Treasurer pay to Woolman Gibson thirty shillings for a Gun.

Ordered That Western shore Treasurer pay to Dr Richard Tootle seventeen Pounds, twelve shillings and six Pence.

Ordered That said Treasurer pay to Robert Cummings two thousand Pounds.

Ordered That the said Treasurer repay to Thomas Wilson ten Pounds, for his Time being remitted, by order of the Convention.

Ordered That said Treasurer pay to John Bullen two hundred and thirty Pounds.

Ordered That said Treasurer pay to Col^o John Murdock one hundred and two Pounds, seventeen shillings and eight Pence.

Ordered That those Persons who keep Potapsco and Susquehanah Ferries be desired from time to time by night or day, to put the Postmaster General's Rider over those Rivers, during the Continuance of the War.

Mr Thos Smyth agreed with the Council of Safety to purchase one hundred Barrels of Beef on Acc^t at the commission of five p^r Cent.

Council of Safety agreed with Colonel Hooe for all the salt imported in the Brigantine Friendship at 15/ p^r Bushel.

Adjourned 'till next Day 10 °Clock.

[Secretary Peters to Council.]   C. S. C.

War office Nov^r 8th 1776.

Honourable Gentlemen.

General Schuyler is very desirous of having an answer to his Letters respecting the Nanticoke Indians. The six Nations repeatedly complain that those of that Nation who were left in Maryland are detained there contrary to their Inclinations. This Idea, tho' not founded in Truth creates much uneasiness and is constantly held up by the Indians in their conferences with the General. Congress have before written to your State on the Subject on which I have now the Honour of addressing you by order of the Board of War, but have not been favoured with an Answer, which I have it in command to request you will now be pleased to give that it may be