

[Council to W. Wilkins.]

C. S. C.
No. 3.

Sir. We request the favour of you, when you go up to Philadelphia to enquire diligently after paper for the new emission of money, and forward it with all convenient speed.

Should you want cash, apply to our Delegates in Congress and they will furnish you.

Nov^r 13th 1776

M^r William Wilkins

Philadelphia Nov. 13th 1776. C. S. C.

Gentlemen.

In consequence of a letter to congress this day received from the Honble convention of Maryland inclosing sundry resolutions of that Body relative to the raising their Quota of the new Levies, I have it in charge to furnish you with the Resolutions of Congress pass'd yesterday admitting the new Levies to enlist for three years, and at the same time to inform you, that if the Inhabitants of the State of Maryland will inlist to serve during the continuance of the present war, they already have the Faith of the United States of America pledged for the land to be granted to such soldiers.

The Resolutions referred to you have inclosed, and contain the sense of Congress as to the mode of the new Inlistment.

I am with Esteem

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Your very hum. Serv^t

John Hancock Presid^t

Honble
Commissioners from }
Maryland.

In Congress Nov. 12th 1776.

Resolved. As the opinion of this Congress, that if the Soldiers to be raised by the State of Massachusetts Bay be enlisted on the terms offered to them, which are more advantageous than what are offered to other Soldiers, serving in the same army, it would much retard, if not totally impede the Inlistment of the latter and produce discontent and murmur, unless Congress should equally encrease the pay of these, which it is the opinion of this Congress would universally be reprobated as an immoderate Shame and complained of as a grievous Burthen by those who must bear it, and therefore that the Committee from the State of Massachusetts Bay be desired not to enlist their men on the additional pay offered by the assembly of that State.

Upon reconsidering the resolution of the 16th of September last, for raising Eighty Eight Battalions to serve dureing the present war with Great Britain, Congress being of opinion