C. S. C.

[Smyth to Council.]

Annapolis Nov^r 13th 1776.

Gentlemen

Your not sitting this morning before I leave town prevents

me from having the pleasure of seeing you.

The sooner you send the Salt for curing the 100 Barrels of Beef which you have empowered me to purchase, the better, or the best Beef will all be sold, and at the same time it will be necessary to send me about £250.

Permit me to remind your Honors of the application of Mr Alexander Murray for the command of the Province Schooner now at Mr Stewart's yard, should you favour him with the appt his Brother Doct. Murray will immediately inform him thereof,

and I am with much Respect

Gent. Your most obed^t Serv^t Tho^s Smyth

[Vanbibber and Harrison.]

St Eustatia 13th Nov. 1776.

Gentlemen.

We have this day drawn on you in favour of M^r John Parrott for Four hundred Dollars, for which draft we received Speicie from him, and flatter ourselves that it will be duly Honoured. We can assure you that M^r Parrott's cash came verry opportunely to our assistance having more Engagements on account of the Publick now due, than we can conveniently Pay

We are with much esteme,

Gent.

Your most obedient Servant Van Bibber & Harrison

P. S. No mention was maid by neither of us Wheather hard Spetia was to be paid in Maryland or not, but hope you will Sattisfy the bearer of the bill.

V. B. & H.

C. S. J.

Thursday 14th November 1776.

Council met. Present as on yesterday.

Copy of Letter Nº 4 was sent to each of the absent Members of the Council.

Ordered That the Western Shore Treasurer pay to Oliver Whiddon two Pounds ten Shillings for a Gun.

Ordered that the said Treasurer pay to Catherine Nixon thirty shillings.

Ordered That the Western Shore Treasurer pay to Hugh Gardner nine Pounds Currency.