

C. S. J. Ordered That the Western Shore Treasurer pay to M^r Robert T. Hooe fifty Pounds Currency.

Copy of Letter N^o 11 was sent to the Commissioners at Philadelphia, Copy of N^o 12 to his Excellency Patrick Henry Esq^r Copy of N^o 13 to the Committees of Observation and Copy of N^o 14 to the Brigadiers-General.

Ordered That the Western Shore Treasurer pay to William Logan seven Pounds ten Shillings.

Ordered That the said Treasurer pay to Captain Benjamin King fifty Pounds currency.

Ordered That the said Treasurer pay to Capt. John Kiltie seventy Pounds Currency on Account.

Ordered That Capt. Thomas Watkins deliver to Lieutenant Clement Smith of the Accoutrements delivered him by Capt. John Brooke, six Iron Kettles, six Bucketts, three Blankets, and an Axe.

Ordered That the Western Shore Treasurer pay to William Niven four Pounds seven Shillings and six Pence.

Ordered that the said Treasurer pay to William Niven and Company ninety seven pounds eleven Shillings and a penny half penny Currency.

Adjourned till next Day 10 o'Clock.

C. S. C.
No. 11.

[Council to Commissioners.]

Gentlemen. Your letter to the President of Convention, with a Copy of the Resolves of Congress, we received.

It is our most sincere wish that Congress had come to those Resolutions much sooner than it has; the delay has hurt the service, and as our Convention is up, we are under difficulties how to act. But upon mature reflection, we are of opinion that you immediately proceed to camp, and endeavour to enlist for three years all the Maryland troops, as well as regulars as those of the Flying Camp, into the Continental Service under the Congress Bounty of seven pounds ten shillings, such of the Battalion and Independent Companies as are inclinable to enter into the Continental Service for three years, but be informed that at the expiration of such time they will then be in the service, and under the direction of the State of Maryland, provided the War is continued beyond that period. As to our State's being obliged to give Land as a Bounty, we can by no means accede to it, nor do we believe or conceive that Maryland will ever contribute one shilling towards the purchase of such bounty.

Nov^r 17th 1776

The Commissioners at Philadelphia for the State of Maryland]