

C. S. J. Copy of Letter N° 41 was sent to William Lux and others, Copy of N° 42 to Capt. George Cook, Copy of N° 43 to Robert Cummins, Copy of N° 44 to Mess^{rs} Willing and Morris, and Copy of N° 45 to the Delegates in Congress.

Commissions issued to Nicholas Ruxton Moore appointed first Lieutenant and Richard Dorsey second Lieutenant of Captain Nathaniel Smith's Company of Matrosses.

Instructions and sailing Orders were given to John Gibbons of the Schooner Friendship.

Adjourned till next Day, 10 o'clock.

C. S. C.
No. 39.

[Council to Baltimore Committee.]

Gentlemen, Capt. Furnival informs us that some preparations have been made at Whetstone Point for erecting a magazine for securing Ammunition that may be immediately wanted in case of an attack. we take it for granted that something of that sort is necessary, and that the fortification cannot be considered as compleated without such magazine. You will therefore take care to have it finished as soon as you conveniently can, before the cold weather comes on to prevent masons from working.

Dec. 5th 1776.

Committee of Baltimore County

No. 40.

[Council to J. Hollingsworth.]

Sir. We request the favor of you to bid for the Brigg that was taken by Capt. Cooke and buy her for the State at all events; also to take care and purchase the rum or any other part of the Effects condemned, that may be useful to the public, and are to be had at a moderate price. Should you not care to act, be pleased to get some other person to bid. If the Snow Georgia or any other of the vessels are to be had upon terms you think reasonable, be so good as to buy them for us.

Dec. 5 1776

Jesse Hollingsworth

No. 41.

[Council to Baltimore Committee.]

Gentlemen. We would send you the commissions you request, but there has been some change we apprehend in the Battalion, and some officers are promoted—there may have deaths or resignations which we know not of; we wish that Brigadier General Buchanan together with your Committee would be kind enough to send us down a state of the Bat-