

c. s. j. Ordered that the Contractor for provisions furnish Capt. Thomas's Company with two Day's Rations.

Ordered that the Commissary of Stores deliver to George Gordon 24 Musquets to be repaired.

Ordered That the Defence's small Tender convoy Capt. Thomas's Company to the Mouth of Patuxent in St. Mary's County.

Ordered That the Treasurer of the Western Shore pay to the Committee of Observation for Charles County two hundred Pounds on Account of Capt. Rezin Beall's Company.

Copy of Letter N<sup>o</sup> 62 was sent to the Committee of Observation for Charles County, & Copy of N<sup>o</sup> 63 to the Deputies of this Province in Congress.

Adjourned till next Day 10 O'Clock.

c. s. c.  
No. 57.

[Council to Dorsey.]

To Colonel Dorsey  
Sir.

At present we do not desire you to send in any more of your Militia ;—should it be necessary hereafter we will inform you, and from their readiness which we have hitherto experienced doubt not their being here in proper time.

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No. 58.

[Council to Page.]

To the Honble. John Page Esq<sup>r</sup> President of the Council of Virginia.

Sir.

Your favour communicating the intelligence that the Enemies Fleet had been drawn from their Station, and their Forces obliged to abandon Gwynn's Island, came safe to hand and demands our acknowledgments.

They have since arrived in Potowmack, and Landed some Men on S<sup>t</sup> Georges Island, at the mouth of Saint Marys River where they have thrown up Entrenchments. We are making preparations to dislodge them as soon as possible. In return we congratulate you on our success in the Southern Quarter.

P. S. We have ordered M<sup>r</sup> Hughes to send immediately to Geo. Town two 18 pounders for the use of your Colony, to be delivered to Mess<sup>rs</sup> Mason and Dalton's order.

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