

c. s. c. there is danger of having his houses or property destroyed, which we hope you will take care to prevent. We are &c.

Committee of observ<sup>n</sup>  
of Calvert County

Jan<sup>y</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup> 1777

No. 84.

[Council to Gov. Patrick Henry.]

Annap<sup>s</sup> Jan<sup>y</sup> 3<sup>d</sup> 1777

Sir. Your Excellency's favour of the 22<sup>d</sup> ult. enclosing Resolutions of the house of Delegates of your State we have received and are much obliged by the assurance you have been pleased to make our State of the most cordial cooperation of Virginia in every measure for our particular safety and the general interest of America. Be assured, Sir, that the Council of Safety of Maryland will invariably persevere in the same line of conduct they have hitherto observed, of affording every assistance and aid in their power to any part of America where their assistance and aid may be thought necessary to contribute to its general interest. We are, &c.

His Excellency Patrick Henry Esq.

[Chamberlaine to Council.]

Gentlemen. Talbot County January 3<sup>d</sup> 1777.

I am favoured with yours by express and am sorry you should want any information from the Commissioners for recruiting the Army. At Wilmington the return was to have been made, but on getting there the Gentlemen very anxious to get forward proposed taking all the papers and compleating the buisness before they parted. To this proposal I agreed and gave up the papers that were in my possession. Under these circumstances it perhaps will not be in my power to give your Honours the satisfaction I could wish tho' should you still incline that I should wait on you, on intimating as much by the return of an express I sent off yesterday, I will immediatly wait on you, being with the greatest Respect  
Gentlemen,

Your most obed<sup>t</sup> Humb<sup>l</sup> Serv<sup>t</sup>

Ja<sup>s</sup> Lloyd Chamberlaine

The Honble The President of the Council  
of Safety in Annapolis

per express)

The want of salt will create great uneasiness with us, and as I hear there is a vessell belonging to the Publick with a quantity just arrived, if a few hundred bushells could be sent for sale near the heads of our Rivers, in my humble opinion it would have a good effect.