

William Jacobs Ensign of Cap. Rutters Company in Balti- c. s. J.
more County.

Copy of Letter N^o 144 was sent to Col^o M. Gist and Copy
of N^o 145 was sent to John Hancock Esquire.

In Council of Safety Annapolis Feb^{ry} 6th 1777

Complaint having been made to the Council, that Capt.
William Patterson, commander of the armed Schooner called
The Dolphin, at or near Saint Pierre in Martineque, pursued
from that Port, a Flag of Truce Schooner from Governor
Shirley of Dominica to the General of Martinique captured
and detained her in violation of the Law of Nations. You
are hereby commanded to take the said Patterson immediately
into your Custody and him have before this Board, that
proper Enquiry, and order may be had thereon

To John Fulford } By order R. Ridgely Cl. C. S.
Commander at Ann^s }

Ordered That the Western Shore Treasurer pay to M^{rs}
Howard Three Pounds, Twelve Shillings and Six pence for

That the said Treasurer pay to George Gordon for a
Gun £4.

That the said Treasurer pay to Samuel Dyre Betton Two
pounds Eleven Shillings and Ten pence.

That The said Treasurer pay to William Galbrath One
hundred and forty Nine Pounds four Shillings and two pence.

That the said Treasurer pay to Samuel Chester Eighteen
Pounds Eight Shillings.

That the said Treasurer pay to William Bordly Eight Pounds
and Nine pence.

Adjourned till next Day 10 °Clock.

[Council to Gist.]

C. S. C.
No. 144.

February 6th 1777.

Sir. Our last of the 3^d instant contained a requisition that
you would get ready three or four Hundred of the Militia or
Regulars and proceed to Somerset and Worcester Counties
to suppress some insurrections that have arisen there. We
can now inform you that the situation of our affairs there
begins to be very alarming and that speedy Exertions are
immediately necessary, and therefore request that without loss
of time you, with the permission of Congress, procure the
Men above mentioned together with two field Peices, at the
least and proceed to Somerset County where you are to use
your utmost Endeavours to suppress the Insurgents in those