

c. s. J. That the said Treasurer pay to James Ridgeway Twelve pounds Fifteen Shillings.

That the said Treasurer pay to Samuel Minskie six Pounds

That the said Treasurer pay to Major Forrest One Thousand Dollars

Adjourned till next Day 10 °Clock.

c. s. c.

[Petition of Vincent Trapnall.]

Gentlemen.

February the 18<sup>th</sup> 1777.

I made bold some time since to petition to your Honours for my enlargement, but have received no answer from your Honours. I now again make bold to intreat your Honours to release me from this my confinement as what I did was only in resentment to the person and no ways designing any ill against the State of affairs of the American cause. I have, Gentlemen, associated and likewise given to the relief of the distressed in Boston. I bear, Gentlemen, no allegiance to the King of England, nor have I any connection with those that embrace his maxims and am ready and willing to pay all due allegiance to this State. I hope therefore your Honours will consider me and my wife and poor children who might have suffered greatly during my confinement, having no stay nor Guide, if your Honours will pleas'd to release me you may depend upon my utmost endeavours to find out and discover any rumour, or any thing else prejudicial to the present system of affairs, from your Honours in duty bound.

Vincent Trapnall.

To The Honourable the Delegates of the State of Maryland in Assembly convened at the city of Annapolis.

[Petition of Vincent Trapnall to the Delegates.]

To the Honourable the Delegates for the State of Maryland now at the City of Annapolis in Assembly convened. The humble petition of Vincent Trapnall most humbly sheweth. That your poor Petitioner has been confin'd ever since the 29<sup>th</sup> of last month for a misdemeanor that he was guilty of and which he did through distraction and inadvertency, however no how prejudicial or injurious to the present State of affairs, but has always been the reverse and maintain'd the cause as far as my abilities would admit of Witness in the association in respect to the Bostonians, and ever shall as far as lies in my power. I was most Honourable Gentlemen confined here by order of the Honourable the Council of Safety and I believe there was some malice and antipathy in the person that com-