

C. S. C. by Companies and parts of Comp<sup>ys</sup> & this will make my Party very weak as I shall be obliged to send off Gunby's & Long's Companies, the latter of which I have ordered here, but have not yet arrived, to relieve the Baltimore Independ<sup>ts</sup> who are very anxious to get Home being Chiefly men of Business the State as well as themselves must suffer However I shall endeavour to discharge them in a short Time as I don't imagine there will be any opposition, & if there should I think I shall be enabled to call in Militia to answer every Purpose; but we are at present barely able to make out two Guards which will scarcely afford the necessary Reliefs.

C. S. J.

Tuesday March 4<sup>th</sup> 1777.

Council met. Present as on yesterday.

Ordered That the Western Shore Treasurer pay to Captain Jos<sup>h</sup> Burgess One Thousand Dollars for the Recruiting Service Copy of Letter N<sup>o</sup> 177 was sent to Vernon Hebb and Timothy Bowes William Worth master of the Ship Custis about 200 Tons from Massachusetts Bay delivers to the Council his Clearance and other papers, whereby it appears that his Entry is Regular.

Ordered That the Western Shore Treasurer pay to Matthew Tilghman Esquire five hundred and Eighty Pounds, Six Shillings and five pence three farthings Currency, by order and for the use of Jenifer and Hooe.

Adjourned till next day 10 o'Clock.

C. S. C.  
No. 177.

[Council to Hebb and Bowes.]

Gentlemen.

March 4<sup>th</sup>

As there any many persons bringing accounts here about the Articles which you had the management & sale of, which accounts we conceive you to be better acquainted with than we possibly can be, we therefore desire that you will examine adjust & pay all those Accounts out of the money in your hands & if that should not prove sufficient you are to draw upon us.

We are &<sup>c</sup>

Messrs Vernon Hebb & Timothy Bowes

[Jesse Hollingsworth to Council.]

Baltimore March 4<sup>th</sup> 1777.

Sirs. The Brig will sail I suppose this day with a full lode of tobacco bread and flour most of the flour superfine the accounts of cargo will be on board her as to tobacco I cannot say much about it the price is 30 shillings at this time flour is