

C. S. C.  
Original.

[Campbell to Jenifer.]

Baltimore 7<sup>th</sup> March 1777

Dan<sup>l</sup> of St Thomas Jenifer Esq<sup>r</sup>

Sir

I have to inform your board that I returned yesterday from a Cruize down the Bay & Sound and would have called at your Port, but was confined to bed by the plurisie of which two of my people died and many more are bad I Rec<sup>d</sup> two letters from Gen<sup>l</sup> Smallwood acquainting me that he had apprehended all the persons excepted from the Benefit of the Proclamation except one Callallo and one Thomas Moor he sent a party to the Tangiers and Required me to search the Islands between the Tangiers and Hoopers Streights and secure the bodies of Certain persons Agreeable to a list he sent me, I was known to be about the Sound and the Islanders were so much afraid that I had no chance of succeeding I therefore Arm'd a small Sloop and sent her with Twenty men on that Business Callalo and one Mezeck who had been on board most of last Somer went on b<sup>d</sup> the Phenix before she went down the Bay, all the others had fled and taken Shelter in the Morasses on the aproach of our people except Levin Evans, Gen<sup>l</sup> Smallwood writes to me that he is a notorious offender I brought him up and delivered him to Cap<sup>t</sup> N. Smith, to be dispos'd of as the executive power may think right. I sent Gen<sup>l</sup> Smallwood's letters to Congress as they Contained all the inteligence of maters Below that I was able to procure, when I was down I saw none of the enemies ships but was informed the Phenix lay of Willowby's Point and the other two had gone to Sea, I wrote to Gen<sup>l</sup> Smallwood to this purpose, that same day after my express went off inteligence was brought me by a Sloop from this place that the Phenix was above Point Lookout this confirm'd the same evening by a boat advice of which I sent the General and went out of the Streights before day to know the truth of the mater but not finding the ship where she was said to be, and the winds being southerly I concluded she was gone up the Bay and Continued in that opinion 'till I saw a Ship at Annapolis which I conclude was the one taken for the Phenix, some of the Islanders and some Tories had sent on b<sup>d</sup> several small supplies of provisions the ships had no other connexions with the shore since their being in the Bay except by Flaggs sent on shore to Virginia

Capt. Campbell

C. S. J.

Saturday, March 8<sup>th</sup> 1777.

Council met. Present as on yesterday.

Ordered that the Western Shore Treasurer pay to Joseph Nicholson jun<sup>r</sup> Esq<sup>r</sup> four pounds Eighteen Shillings for his Attendance in Council of Safety.