

reasons have induced me to a resignation. I have enlisted c. s. c.
some men who has consented to enrole with Capt. Benjamin
Ford. You'll much oblige me by empowering some person
here to receive and settle the remainder of the Publick money
now in my hands.

I am your Honours

Most obedient Hum^{ble} Serv^t

The Honble Council of Safety
of Maryland

John Ghiselin.

P. S. The inclosed is the commission with which I have
been favour'd J. G.

[Thomas Sparrow's Memorial.]

To the Honourable The Council of Safety of Maryland.
The memorial of Thomas Sparrow, Humbly sheweth—

That agreeable to the warrant your Honours was pleased to
grant me for the purpose of recruiting men for the service of
this State, I repaired to Dorchester county where I had had
the promise of a sufficient number, and firmly believes that I
could have enlisted them, but for the reasons hereafter men-
tioned.

I was four days on my passage from Annapolis to Cam-
bridge, and on my arival Major Thomas Muse being dead, I
was obliged to wate a week before I could acquaint your
Honours therewith. Colonel Traverse knowing the dis-
appointment I had met with, told me he was going to Anna-
polis, and should soon return with an answer, if I would write
to have another Gentleman appointed to assist me with cash
for the recruits. I waited six days after Colonel Travers's
return to his House at Hooper's Island for the letter directed
to Cap^t Daffin, which Gentleman supply'd me with a Horse
to ride for it, as Col. Traverse had omitted to send it to him.
I received the letter, and on my return to Cambridge, heard
the corps belonging to Dorchester County was to meet at the
Lightwood knot chapple. M^r Peter Carvil told he would ride
to that place with me, and made no doubt but that I would
enlist thirty men, as he had heard many intended to meet me
there for that purpose. I had not received any cash, but as
that opportunity offered, I concluded to advance the Small
Sum I had to bear my expences, which if not Sufficient, M^r
Carvil offered to supply me with, and to do him justice he
was the only friend I had in the field who had courage enough
to stand by me. I proceeded to do my duty, and undertook
to read the resolve of Convention with respect to raising
matrosses. One of the Company told me it was all false and
if any man should enlist, he would be sent to Philadelphia,
and not to Annapolis, and that they were damned fools that