

C. B.

April 2<sup>d</sup> 1777.

Ordered, That the Western Shore Treasurer pay to John Harrison three hundred and thirty eight Pounds, nine shillings, for Am<sup>t</sup> of his Acc<sup>t</sup>

That Clearance be given to Benjamin Wickes Captain of the Brigantine called The Escape, belonging to John Maxwell Nesbit and Company of the State of Pennsylvania, to proceed from the Port of Annapolis to the Island of Hispaniola, he having lodged a manifest of his Cargo, taken the oath, and given security, according to the Resolution of the General Assembly of this State.

That the Western Shore Treasurer pay to Col<sup>o</sup> Josiah Carvil Hall three hundred Dollars, on Acc<sup>t</sup>

That the said Treasurer pay to Ch<sup>s</sup> W. Howard fifty pounds on Acc<sup>t</sup>

Ordered, That Thomas Smyth Esquire of Chester Town be appointed to receive all the Blankets, which may be deposited at that place, Charles Wallace Howard all those, which shall be collected in Anne Arundel, Saint Marys, Calvert, Charles, Prince Georges and Montgomery Counties, and Gerard Hopkins, those, that shall be collected in the other Counties of the Western Shore of this State.

That the Western Shore Treasurer pay to William Galbraith one hundred, and fifty seven Pounds, seven shillings, and two pence for Am<sup>t</sup> of his Acc<sup>t</sup>

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[Hancock to Gov. Johnson.]

Philadelphia Apl. 2, 1777

Sir. I have the pleasure to congratulate you on being appointed to fill the most honorable and distinguished station in the Gift of a free people to bestow. And having the utmost confidence that the affairs of the State now entrusted to your care, will meet with all the attention they require or deserve, it is with the highest satisfaction I address you on this important occasion.

You will perceive from the inclosed copy of a letter from General Washington that the Information it contains is of the most serious nature, and that our Enemies are meditating an Invasion of the State of Maryland. In this Situation of Affairs, I am earnestly to request you will take such measures as will have a Tendency to defeat their designs should any Attempts be made in consequence of this intelligence.

The inclosed Resolve of Congress respecting the removal of the public stores to the places therein mentioned, I am