c. c. been appointed in the sixteen Battalions have made flattering Offers to the Subalterns who had successfully recruited for the Proportion of this State, to carry the Men they had inlisted into other Regiments. Capt Trueman thinks he is entitled to the Men recruited by Mr Parker and requests us to have them given up to him; we think his Pretensions are well founded but know of no Method of effecting it, but by an Application to you, and therefore give you this Trouble, which we wish we could have avoided.

We are &ca

Gen¹ Washington

[Council to Col. Hooe.]

In Council Annapolis 30th May 1777.

Sir.

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M' Calhoun some Time ago wrote us that Cap' Boucher informed him that one Cap' Laurence Sanford of Alexandria a Man of Reputation who was taken by the Roebuck, on board of which he saw the two Goodrich's, who escaped from Baltimore Jail, told him that they effected their Escape by bribing the Jailor and that it cost them 600 £. We shall be obliged to you to have Capt" Sandford's Deposition taken and all Circumstances that his Memory retains inserted to lay a proper Foundation for putting the Jailor in the Goodrich's Place; we need not remark that the more Privacy this is done with, the better

We are &ca

To Colo Hooe.

C. B. Saturday May 31st 1777.

Present as on yesterday except Edw^d Lloyd Esq^r

John Iiams third Lieutenant of an Artillery Company in the Service of this State resigned his Commission, which was accepted of by the Council.

William Campbell appointed Captain of a Company of Matresses in the Service of this State, upon the Promotion of

Major Fulford.

Commission of letter of Marque issued to Edward Booker Captain of the Brigantine Buckskin Hero mounting sixteen Carriage Guns, and navigated by one hundred men, belonging to John Crockett and others of Baltimore.

Ordered, That the Western Shore Treasurer pay to Captⁿ

William Browne one hundred pounds, on Acct

It appearing from the Report of M^r Allen Quynn, a Justice of the peace, that the several following Persons, who had been impressed on board the Virginia Frigate and whilst they were detained have signed the Articles, have declared their unwill-