Regt was an Ensign in Colo Hall's Regt is now at Camp and c. c. a clever young Fellow. Mason is appointed a 1st Lt in Colo Gunby's Regt they were advanced by us and we did not doubt their having Notice of it. Thomas Jones stands in the Original List sent us by the Assembly, which is all we know of him. From your not mentioning our Letter of the 14th May, we suppose it has not reached you, inclosed is a Copy of it; we shall attend to what you say about your Officers. send you 4000 Dollars and the Amount of your Advances. We approve what has been done by you towards subsisting Capt Foreman's Men and it may continue the little Time you stay, but Capt Foreman had better look out for some other Way against that Time, for we shall not choose to part from the rest of our Provisions, if any left, or be connected in any We are &ca manner with his Accts

Colo Wm Richardson.

## [Council to J. McCabe.]

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In Council Annapolis 4th June 1777

Sir

We are desirous of knowing whether you have the Cards ready, for which you contracted with the late Council of Safety. The Time has expired in April and we have not heard from you, we expect a Settlement of this matter very soon.

John McCabe Baltimore.

We are &ca

## [Council to T. Smyth.]

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In Council Annapolis 4th June 1777

Sir,

We are very desirous of getting the Chester Galley fitted and much obliged to you for the Trouble you have taken to forward it. Lux and Bowley wrote us some Time since that they would give us the Preference of their Cordage at £7 10. We accepted, but indeed, as yet, have got little or nothing of it. Mr Lowndes is now at work, we believe, solely for us, and at about that Price, but he will not be able to furnish us so far as wanted; yet if we give £14 for any, we suppose we must for all, for this Reason, and as Hynson's Quantity would go but a very little Way, we choose not to take it, at this Price. If Lux and Bowley do not go to Work for us soon, the Frigate now being gone, we intend, rather than be at the present Pass, to set up a Rope Walk for the Public and are satisfied we should, even in different Management, save a good Deal of We are &ca Money.

Thomas Smyth Esq<sup>r</sup>