

C. B. Pounds, seventeen Shillings and six pence for the use of John Sturgis and Three pounds for the use of Thomas Vandycke due to them per Accounts passed

That the said Treasurer pay to Brittingham Dickeson Ninty Pounds ten shillings as per Account passed.

That the said Treasurer pay to Ignatius Fenwick one hundred pounds to Ship hands &^{ca} for the Lydia to be charged in Account.

That the said Treasurer pay to Brittingham Dickeson forty nine Pounds Ten Shillings as per Account passed.

That the said Treasurer pay to John Pitt five pounds seven Shillings and six pence due to him on his own Account and seven Pounds, eleven Shillings & nine pence due to William Jones on Account & for which he has Jones's order per Acc^t passed.

That the Eastern shore Treasurer pay to John Chalmers two hundred & thirty pounds, fourteen shillings due to the Guard at Cambridge per Acc^t passed.

Daniel Bryan appointed and Commissioned first Lieutenant of the Galley Independence, he having been appointed & served from the 1st of August, and John Hynson appointed second Lieut. of the said Galley and served from the 3^d of October.

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[Council to Capt. Cook.]

Annapolis 22^d Nov^r 1777.

Capt. Cook.

By the General Orders of this Day, the three Galley's Conqueror, Baltimore and Independence are to be under your Command as chief or Principal Officer, and you are to proceed with them to the sound between the Islands and the Main, of the Eastern Shore and there check, or distress the Enemy, all you can. If you think it may be done with Success or without hazarding too much, you are to attack the Enemy's main Force in the sound, but in this or any other Matter of Consequence, you are to have a Meeting of your principal Officers and advise with them and to have Regard to their Advice, for, though it is expected that a ready and chearful Obedience will be paid to your Orders, yet, in Things of Consequence, when Time and Opportunity favours, the Advice of the Officers ought to be had and attended to. When the Service no longer requires your Stay, you will proceed back with the Conqueror and Independence, leaving the Baltimore as a Guard below, but no Hands are to be left in her but those who properly belong to her. If the British Ships change their Station to any other Place within this