already been mentioned to some of the Gentⁿ of the Congress. c. c. The Defence's Tender & the Plater have been constantly employed in the Service of the Congress and are like to be so; We also want the Dolphin, chiefly for the same Purpose & request you'll send her down to us. We are &^{ca}

Capt. James Nicholson

Friday 13th March 1778.

C. B.

Present as on yesterday

Robert Wheeler of Queen Annes County took the Oath of Fidelity and Support to this State agreeable to the late Act & Cert^a given

Ordered That the Commissary of Stores deliver to Capt. Massey 2 Shirts, 2 pr Stockings, 1 Jacket & 1 pr Shoes for

one of his men & 2 Shirts for himself

Commission issued to William Hopper appointed Sheriff of Caroline County in the room of Nathaniel Potter resigned.

Ordered That the western shore Treasurer pay to Lieut Edward Wright, sent down by General Smallwood on the Recruiting Service as appears by his Orders of the 2^d Inst. five hundred Dollars out of the money lately sent by Congress for the recruiting Service to be charged to the 7th Maryland Regiment, General Smallwood having in those Orders desired

an Advance of Money to him for that Purpose

The Reverend John Patterson having been sent to the Governor and Council from the Eastern Shore under Guard and charged with inimical Conduct to this State and it having been represented that his going at Large in the Time of the then Invasion might be dangerous to the Safety of this State, It was ordered by the Governor and Council that he should be kept in safe Custody by the Sheriff of Baltimore County in order that due Inquiry might be made therein. And Whereas no Affidavits or Proofs have been transmitted to this Board against the said John Patterson therefore it is hereby ordered that the Sheriff of Baltimore County discharge the said John Patterson from his Custody.

[Council to N. Potter.]

C. C.

In Council Annapolis 13th March, 1778

Sir

We have by this Conveyance, sent over a Commission to M^r Hopper, having just now received your Letters of the 9th & 12th We have Salt to spare, but no immediate Opportunity by which to contrive it to you. M^r Chamberlaine's Salt