c. B. Adjudged that Petitioner was not a Vagrant and therefore discharged him accordingly which Adjudication in the Opinion of this Board is and ought to be conclusive in favor of the Petitioner Wherefore the said Petitioner is according to Act of Assembly hereby discharged.

C. C. p. 165

[Council to T. O. Williams.]

In Council Annapolis 23rd May 1778.

Sir.

Complaint is lodged with us against your Adjudication of Richard Beck as a Vagrant; his Complaint is recommended by a good Many People of the Neighbourhood, some of them very respectable. We are unwilling to discharge any Body without being fully satisfied of the Propriety of doing so; we therefore request you will transmit us the Proofs and Grounds on which you formed your Judgment, as soon as possible.

Maj^t Tho^s Owen Williams We are & ca

[Council to W. Hemsley.]

In Council 23d May 1778.

Sir

The Bearer Mr Richard Arescott, will deliver you £300, which we have drawn for the marching Militia. The Company from Annapolis set off this Morning; we hope enough will soon be collected at the Head of Elk to enable Gen1 Washington to draw the Force under Gen1 Smallwood, to Head Quarters. We hear, tho' we are not certain of the Truth of it, that Gen' Washington has detached 5,000 to the Lines, he much wants his Regulars. You may send your Militia without Arms, we having ordered 700 Stand to the Head of Elk. As Clows is not gone, you may want your Arms. We inclose you an Order to draw out a Scout of Militia and you are to put it under the Direction of what Officers you think proper; if a longer Continuance of the Scout should be necessary, you'll advise us, that we may continue it; you have also an Order inclosed for Provisions, the Bacon had best be used; have an Account taken of what is used & recommend as much Frugality as possible.

William Hemsley Esq^r We are &^{ca}

L' of Queen Ann's County \(\) Mem\(^{\text{O}}\) Only 600 Stand of Arms sent.