C. B. have not already Performed Service for the Public or such whose Turn it may be, as nearly as Dispatch and Convenience will Permit.

Ordered that the western shore Treasurer pay to Robert John Smith two hundred and forty four Pounds, ten shillings per Acc^t passed by A. Gen¹

C. C. p. 183 [Council to D. Hughes.]

In Council Annapolis 5th Augt 1778.

Sir.

All the Accounts and Vouchers of the Expences of Prisoners which we could collect, we sent to our Delegates in Congress the 10th of April last and we have no Doubt they were given in to Congress by the 15th agreeable to the Resolution of Congress; you'll therefore refer the Commissary to the Congress for them, especially as we are not able to furnish Copies. The Crew of the Mermaid and two or three other British Prisoners, all that we know of, were sent to and received in Philadelphia. If we should have any other British Sailors brought Prisoners here, we shall either keep them near the Water or send them to Philadelphia to prevent unnecessary Trouble and much Delay.

We are &ca

Dan¹ Hughes Esq^r
L^t of Washington County.

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[Council to C. W. Howard.]

In Council 5th Augt 1778.

Sir

We have no Inclination to sell the Defence with the Articles desired with her, for the £9000 offered, but shall rather dispose of her otherwise. We therefore request you'll not delay or trouble yourself further on that Business

We are &ca

Mr Charles Wallace Howard at Baltimore

[Council to Prest. Laurens.]

In Council Annapolis 5th Augt 1778.

Sir.

We yesterday received a Letter from Mr Richard Harrison from Martinique, advising us of his Sale of the Sloop Molly