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[Council to Washington.]

In Council 12th Aug^t 1778

Sir.

Lieu^t Col^o Smith by his Letter of the 26th last, informs us that he is desired by the Officers of the Second Maryland Brigade to apply to us for Money to inlist the nine months men, many of whom they have inlisted for three years and the greatest Number of whom may be before their Time has expired ; that the Money, which they will frequently want, will induce them and, he conceives an Order through your Excellency to the Paymaster General would be the most convenient Method. We very much wish to prevent, as far as possible, the like Inconveniencies again occurring in reinlisting and recruiting as we have too often experienced and, if it can be done with Propriety, hope you will give the necessary Orders for the Advance of the forty Dollars Bounty allowed by this State for such of the nine months men as may inlist in our Regiments. If this Mode of Advance on Account of the State cannot be effected, we shall endeavour to furnish the Officers in some other Method, though none offers itself at present.

We are Sir, with the greatest Respect &c.

Gen^t Washington

C. B.

Thursday 13 August 1778

Present as on yesterday

Ordered that the western shore Treasurer Pay to Zachariah Gaither forty two Pounds, eight shillings for the use of Richard Laurence and also the further Sum of twenty four Pounds, twelve shillings per Acc^{ts} passed by the Auditor General.

That the said Treasurer Pay to John Davidson one thousand two hundred and fifteen Pounds, seventeen shillings and ten Pence for the use of Norton and Beall on Account.

That the said Treasurer Pay to Thomas Todd nine Pounds, ten shillings and the further sum of Thirty two Pounds, five shillings due him per Accounts passed by the Aud. Gen^t

That the said Treasurer Pay to Isaac Harris three hundred and one Pounds, ten shillings due him per Acc^t passed by the Aud. Gen^t

That the said Treasurer Pay to Capt. Daniel Deshon one thousand six hundred and ninty nine Pounds, sixteen shillings and Eight Pence Bal^a of Acc^t due him per Acc^t passed by the Aud. Gen^t

That the said Treasurer Pay to William Spurrior four Pounds eight shillings and nine Pence and the further Sum of twenty