

might be engaged for 3 years or the War; we wrote General Washington, requesting he would grant an Order for Money for the Purpose; by his Answer, the Money supplied by the Treasury is barely sufficient to pay the monthly Abstracts and contingent Expences and, if the Military Chest could afford it, he could not order the Advance, without the special Order of Congress.

The Object seems of Consequence to us and is approved by General Washington. Pray endeavour, by some means or other, to place 20000 Dollars in General Smallwood's Hands, for the Purpose of discharging the State Bounty of 40 Dollars to the Drafts and Substitutes for 9 months at Camp, who will enlist for 3 years or during the War We congratulate you on Gen^l Sullivan's Retreat which in our Idea is a Stroke of Generalship attended with good Fortune We are &^{ca}
 Delegates from Maryland }
 in Congress }

Saturday 12th September 1778

C. B.

Present as on yesterday.

Permission given to the Schooner Chance Ephraim Emerton Master and also to the Brigantine Salisbury Joshua Grafton Master, to load with Flour and Grain within this State for the Consumption of the Eastern States agreeable to a Resolution of Congress of the 2^d Septem^r 1778

Commission of Letter of Marque and Reprisal issued to John Mitchell Commander of the Schooner Polly Sudler mounting 6 swivels and 10 small Arms 80 Tons burthen navigated by 25 Men belonging to John M^oLure & C^o

Ordered that the western shore Treasurer pay to Thomas Beatty the following Sums for the use of the persons thereto annexed per Accounts passed by the Aud. Gen^l viz. John Carroll £4..10. William Renner £54..6..3 John Simmerman £2..10.. Mary Pickinpaugh 7..10.. Nathan Maynard £2.. .. Jacob Shate £2..5.. Philip Mires £2.. Absalom Bonham £2..15.. Thomas Ogle £16..10. Nich^s Umstatt £52. Fred Recup £9.. Geo. Zimmerman £19..10 William Winchester £3..9..3 Col^o Baker Johnson £92..5..6 Capt. Jacob Crist & his Comp^y £127..8..4 Capt. Biggar Head & his C^o £107..11..8 and Capt. Richard Haff £91.. ..

That the said Treasurer pay to Richard Flemming four Pounds ten shillings for a Gun

That the said Treasurer pay to Daniel Carroll Esq. Ninty six Pounds five shillings for his Attendance in Council to this Inst. inclusive

That the said Treasurer pay to John Bolton four hundred Pounds on Account