and a Mob has assembled to regulate prices what will be the Original issue God knows they are now parading if they have a head I believe this business will be of service, if they have not one, they will soon disperse as all tumultuous assemblys have done, that have not had a leader; enclosed you have a Copy of one of their printed hand bills. Congress have this day resolved to retaliate on the Enemy as well for murders committed on French Subjects as those on the Subjects of the United States

Tuesday 25 May 1779

C. B.

Present as on Yesterday

Ordered that the western shore Treasurer pay to Edward Lloyd Esq^r Five hundred and sixty one Pounds for his Attendance in Council

[Council to W. Bordley.]

C. C.

In Council Annapolis 25th May 1779

Sir

We have ordered three Barr's of Musquet Powder of about 60th each to be sent over to you & lodged at Hodgs's. Our Stock of Musquet Cartridge Paper will not allow a further Supply of that Article. We have but three make Shift Field Pieces here, fitted in any Manner for Use. We think you judge right in not filling your Cartridges 'til it appears necessary, we having lately had no Intelligence which can be relied on; the last Report is, that the Enemy are fortifying, at the Great Bridge, that their Force was about 3000. It is highly probable that the Disaffected in several Parts of the State, correspond with the Enemy; if there's good Ground to suspect any Individual being dangerous, we should, immediately on its being made out by Affidavits, exert the extraordinary Power lodged in us by the Legislature

We are &ca

[Washington to Council.]

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Head Quarters Middle Brook 25th May 1779

Gentlemen,

I had the honor last night to receive your favor of the 23^d Ins^t

In compliance with the wishes of His Excellency the Governor, which you have been pleased to communicate, I have