

[Circular to Colonels.]

C. C.

Circular. In Council Annapolis 14th May 1778.

Sir.

It appears to us an Object of the greatest Consequence to cover and forward the Continental Provisions from the Head of Elk and its Neighbourhood. We have not been favoured with any Account of the Number of Militia furnished by Kent, Cecil and Harford County, in Consequence of the Resolution of the General Assembly of the 8th of April and our Orders of the same Day. We are informed by Col^o Hollingsworth that the Occasion of having the Guards of Militia will continue beyond the Time those are to stay who are employed in that Service; wherefore we direct a Relief of two Companies of the Militia of your County to be got ready and marched against the Time of those on Duty expires, to be made up of the Class or Classes to serve next in Turn, but if it has been judged that a less Number will fully answer the Purpose, then you are to supply only your Proportion of the necessary Number. We shall be obliged to you for an Answer to this and to advise us when you judge the Service will allow the Militia to be discharged, that they may not be uselessly burthened.

We are &^{ca}

To Colonels

William Bordley, Charles Rumsey }
and Richard Dallam }

Friday 15th May 1778.

C. B.

Present as on Yesterday

Ordered That the western shore Treasurer Pay to Aquila Parker forty eight Pounds for being Adjutant to the Gun Powder Batt. and the further Sum of six Pounds for D^o to the 8th Batt. of Militia per Acc^{ts} passed by the A General

That the said Treasurer pay to Capt Beriah Maybury Fifty Pounds on acco^t

That the said Treasurer pay to Capt. Bennett Matthews five hundred and Thirty seven Pounds, fourteen shillings and eight Pence due himself and Men of the Galley Independence as per Acc^t passed by the A Gen^l

That the said Treasurer Pay to John Stevenson seven Pounds and nine Pence for the use of Henry Boarman per Acc^t passed by the A Gen^l

That M^r Crysall deliver to Joseph Ashmead Continental Commissary all the Pork in his Possession belonging to the Continent and as much Salt as he may want for the same keeping a just account of it.