

c. c. he should not be there, we have directed this to be sent to you Express and we entreat you to transact the Business for us in the same Manner as we have requested M^r Howard. The Linen is exceedingly wanted to fit out our Recruits for Camp.
We are &^{ca}
Col^o John Stewart, Som^t

[Council to E. Magruder.]

In Council Annapolis 18th May 1778

Sir

This by M^r Eastman's Sloop which we have sent round for a Load of Provisions with Orders to go to your Fishery, where we request you will load her with barrelled Fish, unless Cap^t Richardson, to whom we have wrote, should lodge or give contrary Orders. We wish you to dispatch the Sloop, she is by the Day, and any Delay will be expensive.

We are &^{ca}

M^r Enoch Magruder.

[Council to T. Richardson.]

In Council Annapolis 18th May 1778,

Sir.

We have sent a Sloop of M^r Eastman's which will carry about 280 or perhaps 300 Barrels round to M^r Magruder's desiring M^r Magruder to load her with Fish, unless you should give contrary Directions. If you had rather she should take in any other Load, you'll lodge your Orders accordingly that there may be no Delay. We received a Letter by the last Post from M^r Blaine, pressing us to forward the Provisions from this State to Charles Town, if Vessels can be got in Potomack and the River is clear, we think they had best be pushed forward.

We are &^{ca}

Cap^t Tho^s Richardson, Geo. Town.

[Council to W. Middleton.]

In Council 18th May 1778.

p. 156 M^r William Middleton.

You are to proceed in M^r Eastman's Sloop to M^r Magruder's Fishery on Broad Creek Potowmack River. If Cap^t Thomas Richardson should there give you Orders with Respect to loading the Sloop, you will follow them. If no Orders are