

This will effectually answer the End proposed: And the sume of money thus proposed to be sett aside may remayne a Sacred Treasure never to be touch'd unless on some greate Invasion made on the Country You will by this means keep Tradesmen in the Countrye who will meet with present Reward for their Labour It will greatly promote Towns & encourage Such psons to reside there Workmens Wages will be considerably cheaper Ordinary Accomodations may well be afforded at halfe the extravagant prices they are now Sold at.

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This Cash will keepe the Sherriff out of your tob<sup>o</sup> Houses, All Officers will be advantag'd thereby, And it will be a trusty Stake for the Country upon any fatall Emergencye to have such a Bancke to make use of which will not only be £4000 but really £7000 when a Violent Incursion of the Enemye might perhaps over run all before the Generall Assemblye could consider how to raise a Sume to answer the p'sent Exigencye, few being willing to fight even for their owne Countrye much less our Servants unless well incouraged that is payed.

Colonel Thomas Smithson his Letter to his Ex<sup>ncy</sup> the Governour, being read, giving an Account of his p'sent Indisposition and that he wasted himselfe to no purpose in the publiq Service, having no Allowance proportionable to his Service of attending the Provinciaall Court, & desiring his Ex<sup>ncy</sup> to lay his Case before the Generall Assemblye

Ordered that the said Letter be layd before the house of D<sup>es</sup> & it is recomend if they think fitt to gratifye the said Colonel Smithson.

The s<sup>d</sup> Lre and Recomendation sent by Colonel Ennalls.

The Boarde being acquainted that there were twenty three very good musquitts, now in Towne to be sold fitt for the Countrys Use. Do advise that they be purchased for the Service of the Countrye they being as good & Cleane as any Arms heretofore bought.

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Ordered that George Plater Esq<sup>r</sup> her Ma<sup>ty</sup>s Receiver of the District of Pattuxent take Care to buy and pay for the said arms at twenty one Shill p musquett the risque of the Sea being already run.

M<sup>r</sup> John Jones & M<sup>r</sup> Grey bring up a Bill for the Naturalization of John Baptista Tyler of Prince Georges County, w<sup>ch</sup> was read & pass'd w<sup>th</sup> amendment

They also brought up a Bill enabling certain Trustees to sell Lands given to S<sup>t</sup> Michaels Parish in Talbott County w<sup>ch</sup> was read & the Boarde are desirous to be satisfied whether there be no legall Objections to be made by any person yet unheard ag<sup>t</sup> this Bill, and also to have a Sight of Jones's Will.

The afs<sup>d</sup> Bills with the Endorsement<sup>s</sup> & the following Message Sent to the house by Col Ennalls & Mr Coursey.