

March 13 That the said Treasurer pay to Christian Lybrant sixty nine  
 Liber C. B. pounds ten shillings and one penny half penny of the same Emission  
 No. 24 due him per Account passed by the Aud. Gen<sup>l</sup>  
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That the Armourer deliver to Capt Nicholas Martin of the Brig Nesbitt one Barrel of Powder to be accounted

That the Issuing Commissary deliver to Lieut Christ<sup>o</sup> Richmond fifteen and a half Gallons of Rum, and sixty pounds of Sugar due him to the first Instant.

Commission of Letters of Marque & Reprisal issued to Nich<sup>s</sup> Martin Commander of the Brig Nesbitt one hundred & twenty five Tons burthen navigated by thirty men, mounting fourteen Carriage Guns and belonging to John Nesbitt and Robert Morris of Philadelphia and Stephen Steward of Maryland.

Permission given to William Smith Esq<sup>r</sup> of this State to take with him Edward Rounds and Ann Stevenson the Children of Henry & Ann Stevenson now in the City of New York, and to Solicit Leave from His Excellency General Washington or the Commanding Officer at the out Posts of the American Army at Elizabeth Town for said Edward Rounds & Ann Stevenson to go into the City of New York

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[Council to Commodore Nicholson.]

We thank you for the Intelligence you have communicated, if any other Disposition of the Vessels in the Harbour are necessary, we request you to make such without consulting us on the Measure, and should you want any of the Boats in the Harbour for Express or Look out Boats, you will immediately order those that you may think proper on that Service, we shall give every Aid in our power to cooperate for the Protection of the Troops and transports, the Cannon shall be ordered to the places you mention but without your Assistance and that of the Commanding Officer of the Detachment we shall not be able to transport and mount them.

Ibid.

[Council to Colonel Hooe.]

We this Moment received Information from M<sup>r</sup> McHenry that two british Sloops of War lie within five or six Miles of the Transports. The Commodore does not apprehend any Danger from these Vessels, but as they may be supported by others of superiour Force. It is deemed advisable that every Precaution should be immediately taken that is necessary for the security of the Troops and Vessels. It has been suggested that great Support may be derived from the Wind Mill Fort if put in repair. This or any other Measure that may be concerted by you in Conjunction with the Commodore we shall acquiesce in and render most chearfully every Assistance in our Power to give Efficacy to it. The Marquis was of opinion if any Attempt should be made by the Enemy against our Vessels two small