

April 4
Liber No. 78
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[Council to Capt. Warfield.]

We request you to send down four Barrels of Cannon Powder and three Chests of Arms No^s 4, 5 and 8, also one Box of Cartridges N^o 56

Ibid.

[Council to Col. Barnes.]

Your's of the 25 U^t is received, we are fully sensible of the Necessity there is of your being supplied with a further Number of Arms, but it is out of our Power to convey them to you, the Navigation being impeded by the Enemy's Vessels off the Harbour and all the Carriages in the Vicinity of this Place impressed for the Transportation of the Stores &^{ca} of the Detachment under the Marquis Fayette; we will furnish Seventy Stand of Arms the Number you require on your sending for them, we coincide in opinion with you that Horse would be of singular Service and are lead to believe so from what has been experienced in Kent County on the Eastern Shore wherewith only four or five Horse they have prevented the Enemy from committing any Depredations and the Negroes from going to them, you will therefore employ thirty Horse, which we think will be competent to the Purpose.

Ibid.

[Council to Mr. Patrick Sim Smith.]

We have received your Letter of the 22^d March with the Returns of Provisions

p. 108 There is a continual and pressing Demand for Meat Provisions wherefore you will without Delay send off all the Cattle, you have on the Hoof up to the Place, and your Salt Provisions by water up Patuxent to upper Marlbro to the Care of M^r John Smith Brookes. We wrote to you some Time since with warrant to procure a Quantity of flesh Provisions, this you must continue and increase the Quantity to twenty thousand weight with your utmost Vigilance the Directions for removing the salt Provisions were given from an Apprehension they might be in Danger from the Enemy, but if they are in Places of Safety it will be unnecessary to remove them.

Ibid.

[Council to Richard Dallam, Esqr.]

The Commissions requested by yours of the 21st U^{lt}. we herewith send you. The Laws are not printed, therefore it is not in our Power to send them. You are Commissary of the County to supply what Provisions you stand in Need of for the Militia called into Service; but in all Probability each Man will not be on Duty more than a Day or two, at a Time, and if they would furnish themselves with as much Provisions as will serve them for the Time they are in Service, they may hereafter make a Return to the State, which shall be repaid.