

Saturday 23<sup>d</sup> June 1781

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Commission of Letters of Marque and Reprisal issued to Peter Sharpe Commander of the Brig General Gist, one hundred and twelve Tons burthen navigated by thirty Men, mounting ten Carriage Guns belonging to Thomas and William Johnson Daniel Hopkins and Comp<sup>y</sup> Baltimore Town.

Ordered That the Commissary of Stores deliver to Ensign John Sears of the 2<sup>d</sup> Regim<sup>t</sup> Cloth for a Waistcoat and Breeches to complete the year 1780 and also to Lieut. Elijah Evans of Rawling's Regim<sup>t</sup> a Suit of Cloaths and Linen for two shirts for the present year.

That the Issuing Commissary deliver to Capt. Jonathan Sellman of the 4<sup>th</sup> Regiment four Gallons of Rum and sixteen pounds of sugar due him to the first Instant.

That the western shore Treasurer deliver to Stephen Steward two Hh<sup>ds</sup> of Tobacco weighing two thousand and fifty six pounds of 1780 at Indian Landing which is to be returned.

[Council to Gen<sup>l</sup> Smallwood.]

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We are sending the Boat Plater Capt. Middleton to Patuxent to bring up some Provision from thence. If you will be so obliging as to furnish ten or twelve Men, it will be of singular Service in securing the Boat and Provisions from any Attempt of the Enemy's Barges. This is wrote at the Governor's Request

[Council to Capt. Nicholas Ruxton Moore.]

Ibid.

We were favored with your Letter of the 21<sup>st</sup> Instant and approve of your Conduct in not obeying the requests of general Weeden before you had an Order, considering the particular and critical Situation of the State of Virginia at this Time invaded by a very powerful Army composed of a considerable Body of cavalry and four or five thousand Invantry, we think our Safety and the Duty we owe a Sister State call on us to afford the Marquis what Aid we can and our Conviction that the Horse under your Command will be very useful and render great and emminent Service induces us to order you to march immediately into Virginia, and put yourself under the Command of the Marquis and so remain until our further Order is communicated to you. It will be proper to have all the Horses valued by indifferent and skilful Persons and the Valuations transmitted to this Board to be laid before the general Assembly, who we doubt not, will make full Compensation to those whose Horses are killed or injured, Gen<sup>l</sup> Smallwood has spared us eight Camp Kettles which we now send you.