August 31 to assist you. Since writing the above we have determined to send Liber No. 78 you one hundred Pounds by Woolfe, the Calvert Post.

Ibid.

[Council to Luther Martin, Esqr.]

We are informed by M^r Joseph Baxtor of Baltimore County that suits were commenced against him on his Bond as Sheriff and Collector of that County and that Judgements were confessed at the last General Court. M^r Baxter has applied to the Assembly to have his Accounts considered and adjusted, which Application has been referred to the next Session. We request you would not issue Executions against him until the Assembly have determined on his Case or our further Order is made known.

Ibid. p. 269

[Council to Capt. Joseph Middleton.]

We request you to go into South River and bring from London Town a Quantity of and other Things belonging to this State, it is necessary that you make as much Dispatch as possible

Ibid.

[Council to President of the Special Council.]

We have the Honor of your Letter of the 16th yesterday an Express brought us a Letter from his Excellency Genl Washington and another from Robert Morris Esqr The Contents are so interesting that we think it necessary to send you Copies by Express for your Information. In Consequence of this Intelligence and the most pressing Solicitations from Mr Morris to deliver our Quota of continental Supplies, we have given the most pointed Orders to impress every Vessel fit for the Purpose of Transportation within the State, to be sent immediately to Elk; to purchase or seize, if necessary, all the salt Provisions that can be spared without distressing the Owners, also upwards of 5000 Head of Cattle, and a large Quantity of Flour and Forage are in our Orders to the different Commissaries; part of these supplies are to be sent to Elk, Baltimore and George Town, the rest to be deposited in convenient places for Transportation either by Land or Water. As a large part of these supplies must come from the Counties of your Shore, we hope that you will give every Assistance requisite to facilitate that Business. If the French Fleet arrive in such Force as to be Masters of the Chesepeak, we expect the Transportation of every Thing necessary will be rendered easy and convenient

Ibid, p. 270

[Council to Robert Morris, Esqr.]

We have been lately honored with several Letters from you on very important Subjects, but as it was necessary for us to make many Arrangements and Enquiries before we could give you such explicit Answers as we thought necessary or the Subject deserved,