October 20 That the said Treasurer pay to Solomon Sparrow ten pounds of the Same Emission, of the money aforesaid due him per Account p. 168 passed by the Aud. Gen<sup>1</sup>

That the Issuing Commissary deliver to Mary Gordon a Soldier's wife of the 3<sup>d</sup> Maryland Regiment one ration per Day until she recovers her health.

State of Maryland.—Samuel Gerock confined on Suspicion of trading with the Enemy, having entered into Bond with two good Securities not to depart the County of Baltimore without leave of the p. 169 Governor and Council for the Time being and to be of good Behaviour during the Continuance of the present War and in the mean time not by any Act or Speaking to do any thing to the prejudice of this State or the United States and to make his personal appearance before the next General Court to be held for the Shore and not to depart therefrom without Leave of Court, is ordered to be discharged from his present Confinement. Given in Council at Annapolis this twentieth Day of October 1781 To Philip Thomas Esq<sup>r</sup> Lieut of Frederick County.

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## [Council to Mr. William McBryde.]

Your Letter of the 1<sup>st</sup> Current was not received 'til yesterday. The Law is express, that no Allowance is to be made for the fifth Quarter in Discharge of Taxes. The Pork and Bacon, we think reasonable. Col<sup>o</sup> Blaine was with us the other Day and informed the Board that he had given general Directions respecting the Cattle on the Eastern Shore, which we suppose you have received; you will feed them with the Shorts and Bran until they are delivered.

Ibid.

## [Council to President of the Special Council.]

It is with great Pleasure that we transmit the Copy of a Letter from His Excellency General Washington dated the 12<sup>th</sup> All other Accounts from Head Quarters agree, in the fair Prospects of subduing his Lordship. We rejoice to find the Exertions of this State, have given full Satisfaction to the Commander in Chief; we are daily forwarding Flour and Cattle. You will be surprized at our Letter of the 11<sup>th</sup> accompanying this, but the plain Truth is that two Gentlemen at Separate Times had engaged to convey it to you, and the 75£ Specie, and, after some Delay returned it.

p. 296 The News Papers will, before now, have informed you of the bloody action in South Carolina of the 8th it fell very heavy on the Maryland Line, though General Greene obtained the Victory and the Enemy lost about 1100 Men. We apprehend that your Intelligence is so good from Philadelphia that you will have heard that the British at New York are fitting out all their Ships, it is said 28 or 29 Sail of the Line and puting on Board 5000 Troops in Order to make a desperate Attempt upon the French Fleet for the Relief of the Garrison of York.