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Ordered that the western shore Treasurer pay to John Baker twenty Pounds, one shilling, and John Smoot jun^r twelve Pounds, three shillings, Specie agreeable to the "Act to adjust the Debts due from this State" per Accounts passed.—

Whereas Permission was heretofore granted to M^{rs} Jean Stewart to go into the City of New York and not to return to this State without the Leave of the Governor and Council for the Time being. Upon a Representation of the distressed situation and ill State of Health of herself and her Father, she is hereby permitted to return to this State on a visit to her Father.—

Commission of Letters of Marque & Reprisal issued to George Garston Commander of the Schooner Antelope one hundred & thirty Tons burthen, navigated by thirty two men, mounting six Carriage Guns belonging to Sterret & Yellott of Baltimore.—

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[Council to Thomas Harwood Esq^r Treas^r W. Shore]

For the Reasons contained in your Letter, and it being neither good Policy, nor the Interest of any Government to oppress their Citizens, and as the Delay can be attended with no real Disadvantage to the State, but the Contrary; as the Money that might be brought into the Treasury by Executions, cannot be used, and must remain in the Treasury, at a Time when the People are experiencing the greatest Evils from the Want of a sufficient circulating Medium, of which the Assembly were so sensible that, at their last Sitting, they passed an Act preventing Creditors, many of whom are Purchasers of Confiscated Property, from bringing Suits, 'til January 1784. For these Reasons and others, equally powerful, which might be urged, it is our Opinion that you should suspend issuing Executions 'til the Meeting of the Assembly.

Ibid.

[Council to The Delegates in Congress]

We are often at a Loss to know the Powers and Priveleges of Consuls of France residing in America, and shall be greatly obliged to you to furnish us with any Agreement made between the two Nations, under the 31st Article of the Treaty of Amity and Commerce. The Consul at Baltimore, claims a Right to receive all the Papers belonging to Vessels, the Property of Subjects of France, in Exclusion of the Naval Officer; if there should be no Agreement yet made, we should be glad to know whether this Right is exercised by the Consul at Philadelphia and under what Authority.

Ibid.

[Council to Ebenezer Hazard Esq^r Post M^r Gen^l]

The Post from Philadelphia seldom arrives at this Place, 'til after 2 O'Clock and very frequently, not til after three, and as he con-