December 4 explain what was done with the Account of William Barrow the Surveyor of Dorset County, after it had passed the two Officers. That Account comprized the Charges of a Tourney Fee for surveying each Parcel of Land contained in Nanticoke Manor, and for each Lott in the Town of Vienna. The last Charge, upon first View, appeared to us to be very exorbitant and unjust, we communicated our Objection to the Auditor General and had a Correction made accordingly, which occasioned a Deduction of £57..5..0. The first Charge, for surveying each Parcel in the Manor, escaped our Notice and was not considered by us. Indeed, relying on the Attention and Judgment of your Office and the Auditor's, we seldom scrutinize with Strictness. Accounts which have undergone their Examination and p. 306 received their Allowance. Some Time after this Transaction, the Account of Mr Dent was presented, when there were only two Members of the Board present, who not being very well acquainted with the Subject, had Reference to the former Account which was passed in full Council, and finding that the Charges for the same Services were not similar, and presuming that the first Account had been settled agreeable to Law, Mr Dent was permitted to withdraw his Account.

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[B. Stoddert Pres^t in Council to Allen Quynn Esq^r]

We request you will furnish Wood to the Barges, 'til a Contract can be made for supplying them in a less expensive Way.

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Present as on Yesterday.

Ordered that the western shore Treasurer pay to Nicholas Maccubbin eleven pounds, nine shillings and four pence specie agreeable to the "Act to adjust the Debts due from this State" per Account passed 24th October, 1782.—

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[W^m Paca in Council to The Surveyor of Washington County]

We are informed by Colo Marbury, that he obtained a special Warrant of Resurvey on a Tract of Land called Ross' Purchase, in Order to include some contiguous Vacancy, and that you decline executing the Warrant because restricted by our Instructions heretofore transmitted to you. This Case appears, from the Representation of Colo Marbury, to be particularly circumstanced, and it is our Opinion that the Survey should be made, and that you, in your Certificate return the particular Circumstances, that the Chancellor may determine whether it is Part of the Reserve or not, and that you also send a Copy of this Letter with the Certificate.