

Ordered that the western shore Treasurer pay to Doct^r James Murray seven pounds, ten shillings out of the Money set apart for Contingent Expences, for the purpose of procuring Necessaries for the Sick French Sailors in this City on Account

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That the said Treasurer pay to Hemsley & Kinnard nine hundred and sixty six pounds, thirteen shillings and four pence specie agreeable to the Act to adjust the Debts due from this State per Certificates adjusted and passed.—

That the said Treasurer issue Certificates agreeable to the “Act proposing to the Citizens of this State Creditors of Congress on Loan Office Certificates &^{ca}” to Robert Couden for thirty two pounds, thirteen shillings and two pence, to M^{rs} Tootell and Robert Couden Ex^{rs} of Doct^r Richard Tootell for seventy six pounds, nineteen shillings and six pence and to M^{rs} Elizabeth Maxwell for three hundred and seventy seven pounds, nineteen shillings and ten Pence, due them on Continental Loan Office Certificates adjusted by the Dep^y Aud^r the 11 Feb^y.—

The Board proceeded to appoint Officers for the Barges, the Rank to be settled hereafter, when Daniel Brian and William Under[h]ill were appointed Captains to receive pay from this Day ’till they are Discharged—but not to be Commissioned ’till each recruits forty Men.—

[Council to Captⁿ Daniel Brian.]

We have appointed you to be a Captain of one of the Barges. You are to receive the Pay and Emoluments of a Captain from this Day, ’til you are discharged, but not to be commissioned until you recruit 40 Men. You will proceed immediately to Baltimore Town, where you will endeavour to engage forty able bodied Men, for this Service, to serve ’til the 1st of next January. The Men are to be allowed at the Rate of £3. per Month, and to be furnished with one Ration of Provisions and Liquor a Day. You will endeavour to engage the Men, without advancing any Money, ’til they arrive at this City, the Advance must not exceed £3. this Advance to be deducted out of their Monthly Pay, if you can engage the Men on such Terms, but if you cannot get them without a Bounty, then it must go as a Bounty. If the Men will not engage ’til the 1st of January, you may take them for one or two Months, or the longest Time they will engage to serve; but no Bounty can be given to those who engage for a short Time; and if you should be obliged to advance Money to them, it must be deducted from their Monthly Pay. Each Man you engage must sign Articles. We have given you an Order on the Naval Officer at Baltimore for £100. While you are on this Business, your reasonable Expences, of which you must keep an exact Account, will be borne by the Public. We expect you will use the utmost Diligence in procuring the Men, and bringing them to this Place.

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