

March 7 of them as may be in his Possession—17 Hats—4 Coats, 4 Waist-
 Liber C. B. coats, 4 Breeches, 72 Shirts, 23 Shoes, 69 Stockings, 3 Blankets, & 52
 No. 24 Knapsacks.—
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[W Paca in Council to Honble Intendant]

The Subject mentioned in yours of the 7th we conceive lies within the Department of the Commissioners for the Sale and Preservation British Property, over which you only have the controlling Power. Not being an Affair which can properly come before us, and there being a Difference of Opinion between you and the Commissioners as to the Practicability and Policy of the Sale, we do not choose to interfere in the Matter, especially as we have not a competent Knowledge of the Subject.

Ibid.
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[W Paca in Council to Honble Intendant.]

We have some Money on Hand, but are in immediate Want of £150. more, to enable us to pay and reinlist a Number of Men which belonged to the Barge Protector. We request you will procure us this Sum by Tomorrow, by the Sale of Tobacco, or such public Property as you think proper.

Ibid.

[W Paca in Council to Col^o Richard Barnes.]

Yours by the Post of the first Instant, was just now handed us. It gives us great Concern to hear that the Enemy's Barges continue their Depredations. There can be no Doubt but what all Expences on Account of the Militia will be paid by the State: nothing can be more reasonable, and our Endeavours to have them paid, shall be faithfully exerted. We have now some Money in the Treasury, and we have began to enlist Men for the Barges, but cannot say when we shall be able to equip them fit for Service. Altho' the French Commodore was so obliging as to promise us an armed Vessel, yet, she is not yet come; possibly, as he informed us Repairs were wanting, that Circumstance may still detain her. The Post is not yet come in and therefore can say nothing of Intelligence from the Northward: we are still left in Suspence, as to Peace or War.

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Saturday 8th March 1783

Present as on Yesterday.—

Ordered that the western shore Treasurer pay to Thomas Johnson J^r Three hundred and eight pounds, nineteen shillings and one penny out of the money appropriated for the Payment of the Arrearages of the Barges and also the further Sum of one hundred and twenty pounds out of the money for the new Equipment on Account.—