

That the said Treasurer pay to Capt Thomas Beatty two hundred and fifty two pounds, nineteen shillings and ten pence of the same Emission for the use of his Company of Select Militia and also ten pounds, one shilling and nine pence of the same Emission for the use of Peter Grosh due him on a Certificate issued agreeable to the Act to adjust the Debts due from this State.—

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That the said Treasurer pay to Christopher Edelin two pounds, sixteen shillings and three pence of the same Emission in lieu of an Order of the 6th of March 1781 in favor of Thomas Beatty, adjusted.—

That the said Treasurer pay to Thomas Beatty for the use of Nicholas Hickler fourteen pounds, nine shillings and four pence of the same Emission per Account adjusted and also three pounds seventeen shillings of the Bills aforesaid due him on a Certificate issued agreeable to the Act to adjust the Debts due from this State.—

That the said Treasurer pay to Thomas Grason Com^r three hundred pounds of the same Emission to be expended in fitting out the Barges on the Eastern shore on Account

[Council to Patrick Hamilton Esq^r]

Yours of the 5th we did not receive 'til this Day. We have no Application for a Change of Magistrates in your County, no[r] has any Alteration taken Place in the late Commission, excepting such as were dead, or did not qualify, who were left out and an Addition of three put in Place of them. It is not the Practice of the Board to remove any Magistrate, unless he does not qualify, or an Hearing first had.

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[Council to Commodore Grason]

Ibid.

We have undoubted Information that a Sloop or Schooner belonging to the Enemy, with two or three small Whale Boats, have done considerable Mischief about the Mouth of Potowmack, and have taken several small Craft higher up, as well as lower down the Bay. We wish you therefore, to proceed without Delay to Miles River and have the Barges put into proper Condition to cruize against these Vessels. You will judge from the Intelligence you will receive, whether it will be necessary to fit out the Whole of the Barges. We have furnished you with £300. on Account, to defray the necessary Expences in fitting out, and to engage Men enough, on the best Terms in your Power, to make out the Number you will want, calculating upon getting 40 here which General Smallwood will furnish. When we hear that you are in Readiness for the Enterprize, we will give you further Instructions.