

equally obliged to your Attachment and Honored by your Approbation.

To have been early adopted among the Sons of Freedom, to have seen French and American Standards united in the Cause of Mankind, to have so peculiarly Shared in the Confidence and Friendship of the United States, are Ideas, the more pleasing to me, as I am assured, when I reflect upon the Difficulties this Country overcame, that She will attend to the Means of Splendor and Happiness, which, now thank God, are in her disposal.

I beg, Sir, your Excellency and Council will accept the warmest acknowledgements, and sincerest wishes that an affectionate Heart can most respectfully bestow.

Lafayette.

James OHara a Blind soldier, having left Henry Wood, with whom this Board agreed to board the said OHara and his Child of about three years old for Twenty five pounds per annum—after boarding with the said Wood a Quarter of a Year for which he was paid Six pounds, five shillings—The Board now agree with Samuel Callahan to take the Said OHara and his Child, upon the same Terms, the time to commence from the 14th. Instant, and have directed that an Order be drawn on the Western Shore Treasurer in his favor for a quarter's board. Therefore Ordered, the Western Shore Treasurer pay to Samuel Callahan six pounds five shillings on Account for the said OHara's Board.

The Council adjourned 'till tomorrow 11 o'clock.

Wednesday 1st. December 1784

The Council met.

Present His Excellency William Paca Esquire Governor.

The Honorable

Charles Wallace, Aquila Paca, John Davidson and Samuel T. Wright Esquires The Petition of Michael Seward of Harford County was preferred to this Board setting forth that he entered in Recognizance to appear before the Justices of Harford County Court at November Term 1781, and being ignorant of the Consequences attending a forfeiture, he did not attend, whereupon his Recognizance became [p 5] forfeited, and praying to be released from the said forfeited Recognizance, and four of the Justices of the County aforesaid, having certified that they think the facts contained in the said Petition are true that he is poor and unable to pay the Fine, and recommending a remission thereof, the Board took the same into Consideration and did order and direct a Remission of the said forfeited Recognizance.

Wm. Paca

Aql. Paca

Cha. Wallace

John Davidson

Saml. T. Wright