

There being no Muster & Muster appointed by Congress attending in the State of Maryland, nor any Continental Muster & Muster who will probably soon attend to a Muster Colo Richardson's Regiment. Therefore Colo Harrison is empowered and requested to Muster the said Battalion agreeable to the Order, thereof.

Ordered, That the Commissary of Stores deliver Surveys on Account of the first Regiment.

That the western shore Treasurer pay to Cornelius Miller Three pounds due on account passed -

Capt. Belt. The General Assembly having approved our design of fitting out the Rebecca Johnson as a frigate, you are to get her rigged and named as quick as possible. We wish her named agreeable to you and therefore shall not appoint any Officers without your Recommendation or consulting you. It appears to us likely that the Men will the most willingly engage for a frigate only and therefore we would have you engage them for the frigate of six Months to be discharged sooner, if the vessel returns sooner to this port they are to be intitled in every respect as they would be in a private Ship of War, and as a further encouragement you may advance as far as twenty Dollars to every Seaman & as far as ten Dollars to every Landsman to be deducted & returned to the Public out of their Respective Share of Prize & Money, We expect to supply you ^{with} Provisions here. If you hear of any six pounders, advise of it that we may get them for you. The Twelves we expect to get from the Messrs. Hughes; Mr. Steward will assist you in any thing he can. To prevent disappointments from a forwardness of disposition, retain no body but who signs Articles on his first coming to you.

Ordered That, the western shore Treasurer pay to James Taylor, Twenty four pounds, three shillings & six pence due on account passed.