

It appears by an Order of the 23^d of May last drawn on the Treasurer of the western Shore in favor of Col^l Samuel Smith for the use of his Battalion of Militia for two thousand six hundred and nineteen pounds twelve shillings and six pence that there still remains due to the said Col^l Samuel Smith and his Battalion, one thousand one hundred and ninety eight pounds, Three shillings and eleven pence specie to be paid to him or his Assignee for the use of the said Battalion according to the Act of Assembly entitled "An Act relating to Public Creditors" —

Wednesday 22^d August 1781.

Ordered that the western Shore Treasurer pay to Ensign Henry Baker of the 3^d Regiment Twenty pounds of the Bills emitted under the Act for the Emission of Bills of Credit, not exceeding 200,000 £^s (New) of the money appropriated for the present Campaign on Account —

That the said Treasurer pay to Lieut Henry Batowin seven pounds of the same Emission of the money appropriated as aforesaid on Account per Account passed by the Depy And. —

That the Commissary of Stores deliver to Jacob Hixon lately discharged from the 4th Maryland Regiment one Coat and one Shirt in part of the Clothing due him to be charged to the Continent and also to Lieut Henry Batowin one and an half yards of Swanskin to paying for the same. —

The following Commission issued to the persons hereafter mentioned
The State of Maryland

To William Young, George Keports, Richard Lemmon, Isaac Giest, and John McCellan of Baltimore County, each and every one of you Greeting —

Whereas the Troops of this State raised since the last Session of Assembly and now raising are in want of Blankets and Clothing and Whereas the Circulation of the Bills of Credit emitted in virtue of an Act of the last Session on ample Landed Funds and redeemable in a very short period, has been totally obstructed in Baltimore Town by the wicked, arts and Influence of designing, selfish or disaffected Persons, Inhabitants of the said Town, so that the recruiting Service has not only been impeded but this Board cannot procure the said Articles with the said Bills: And the other Resources of this State being by no means competent to the above purposes; it becomes absolutely necessary to exert the extraordinary powers vested in us by the Laws of the State and to obtain by Purchase or by seizure (as has been practiced in the other Counties of this State) such Articles as our Troops are in want of and without which they cannot render essential Service but will become a useless and heavy burthen on the State: We do therefore hereby empower and direct you to purchase in Baltimore County the Articles agreeable to the List enclosed; and in case you cannot agree with the Owners of such Goods, having the same for sale, you are to seize them in the Hands of any Person (except Foreigners) who hath not applied by sales of considerable Quantities of Goods for the public use, giving certificates for the Quantities and Qualities thereof and lodging with us a Copy thereof with samples of the Goods seized and you are to deliver the Goods so purchased or seized to George Keports Esq and you will obey all such Orders and Instructions as you