

No. 108
... carrying a Piece or two of heavy Cannon, perhaps the
... that can be got with you, as well as a Number of lighter Pieces.
We should be glad you, Col^o Dashiell, & Col^o Done, before any further
Work is made on the Beach, would consult on the Propriety of a
Kind of floating Battery ~ We shall be glad to hear from you. It may
not be convenient for every Man of these Companies to go out at once.
Where it happens so (being desirous of consulting the Ease & Convenience
of the People, as far as may be) if any such will find another good Man in his
 stead, we would have him accepted. We are informed that Mr. Joseph Bruff
 of Talbot County, has near an Hundred Arms in his Hands, which were collected
 last Year from the Flying Camp, we suppose they are not very good, if
 you cannot get better Supplied, we have wrote to him to deliver them
 to your or Col^o Dashiell's Order; if you take them, you will be care full
 that they be not lost. ~ We are &c.
Col^o Ladock Purnell }

In Council June 12th 1747.
Six. We have received your Favor of the 10th Inst. inclosing your Letter to Col^o Richardson
 and Col^o Done's Letters to you, and, upon Consideration of the Subject of these several
 Letters, have ordered two Detachments of the twenty fourth Battalion of Militia
 109. in Worcester County to guard Synepusent Inlet alternately eight Days each,
 under the Command of a Major of that Battalion, which Expedient, we hope
 will answer the Ends of securing that Part of the Country from the Depredations
 of the Enemy and preventing their taking Possession of the Inlet, should that
 be their Design at least until further Aid can be offered. Col^o Richardson's
 Regiment is at this Time, very illy provided, being without Arms and
 almost every other Necessary to take the Field, but we expect that in
 a few Days, and before the Time limited in our Order for the Service of the
 Militia is expired, this Regiment will be in a Condition to render very
 effectual Assistance, should any further Reinforcement be requisite. ~

We are informed that there are a Number of Arms in the Keeping of
 Mr. Joseph Bruff belonging to this State and we have wrote to him
 by this Opportunity to deliver them to your or Col^o Purnell's Order for
 the Use of these Detachments, if they cannot be otherwise more
 conveniently accomodated. ~ We are &c.
As our Letter to Col^o Purnell is inclosed, which you will please
 to peruse and, after sealing it, contrive it to him ~
Col^o Joffe Dashiell }