

Sir

In Council Annapolis 25<sup>th</sup> Feb. 1778.

No. 102. We enclosed your Commission in the above by Mr. Waggoner. He was taken in his way down, again retaken by the Dolphin, sent to the Frigate, and came here this Morning. The Letter & Commission went in his Chest to Baltimore. We send you another Commission. The Court is adjourned to Monday the 1<sup>st</sup> of March. If you act, the sooner you go to Saltbath the better.

We are &c.

3 Copy of the original sent.  
Arthur Martin.

Sir

In Council Annapolis 26<sup>th</sup> Feb. 1778.

No. 103. Capt. Courfey waits on you about the Remainder of the Rigging for the Chester Galley. We are very desirous of getting her fitted and wish you to expedite it and send it to Elk Ridge. The Delay and Risk in sending a Boat round, we wish to avoid.

We are &c.

Christopher Snowden Esq.

In Council Annapolis 26<sup>th</sup> Feb. 1778.

No. 104. Please to send, by Mr. Tucker's Boat, what Park you may have purchased for this State and the old Provisions you had on Hand with a Memorandum of it.

We are &c.

Mr. John Bolton }  
Chester Town - }

In Council Annapolis 28<sup>th</sup> Feb. 1778.

Sir

No. 105. Send by the Bearer Mr. Maffey, what Park and Beef you may have by you ready Barrelled, we want it to send forward.

We are &c.

Mr. Francis Baker.

In Council 5<sup>th</sup> March 1778.

Sir

No. 106. We inclose you the Letter you sent from the Board of War. You did very right in ordering the Boat to Charles Town. The Virginia Galley, we believe, passed the Place last Sunday and, we suppose, is up with you before this Time. We have received several Letters from the Board of War lately, pressing the Seizing of Provisions, we have done nothing to forward or retard it, expecting the Assembly will, immediately on its Meeting, which was to have been last Monday, give or refuse the legislative Sanction for it: we have been the flower in this Business, as we have no Apprehension that the Provisions can be exported or removed out of the Way, before the Sense of the Assembly can be taken. From what we have understood, the People in general, on the Eastern Shore are willing to part from their Cattle on Contract, but a very few Days will probably produce a Power to seize those which are along the Water Sides. We shall write the Board of War on the Subject of it.