

In Council Annapolis 19<sup>th</sup> May 1778.

N. 216. Capt. Rogers. We have 20<sup>th</sup> of Tobacco which we shall endeavour to send you in our Boats to Pungoteague, with that and the Flour which goes down in the Gallies; beyond what will compleat the Molly's Load, you will load the General Smallwood and proceed with her to the Address of Mr. Harrison at Martinico. If we should not be able to send the Whole of the 20<sup>th</sup>s, or if the General Smallwood will take more than the 20<sup>th</sup>s and the surplus of the Flour, we would have you purchase what is deficient of Tobacco or any thing else, which can be conveniently and speedily got. We expect Mr. Harrison will, if he can, furnish you with a Load of Salt back and, on your Return, we wish you to get into the Bay, but we do not intend to tie you up so, but that you may use your Discretion to make an Inlet, in case you think attempting the Bay is too hazardous.

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N. 217. Sir. Joseph Williams has complained to us of your getting his Son, a Boy of 18 Years old, fuddled and obtaining his Mark to an Enlistment and that you have since sold him as a Substitute to Mr. Nich. Gaspaway - We are desirous of enquiring into this Matter, it is our Duty to do so and, to enable us to do it with Justice, we desire to see you tomorrow in the fore Part of the Day - If any Person was present at the Transaction who will tend to prove it fair, you had better prevail on him to come with you.

Mr. Robt. Smith. We are Yrs

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N. 218. Sir. The Rev. Mr. Brown has represented to us that John Vaughan, who he alledges had contracted to serve him two Years from the Month of January last on Wages, was taken from his Labor by Mess<sup>rs</sup> Byas and Wheel, forcibly, and wounded by the former, and that afterwards he took the Bounty. Mr. Brown further represents that the loss of this Man's Service will be highly prejudicial to him and proposes to furnish a Recruit in his Stead who shall be approved by you, as fully equal to Vaughan. We wish the Service, where it can be as effectually forwarded, may prove as little prejudicial as possible to Individuals and therefore on a Recruit being furnished who you judge fully as good as Vaughan, in his Stead, we request you will suffer him to stay and procure from Col. Richardson, as soon as you can, his Discharge, which, we have no Doubt will be readily granted, on the Col's being informed of the Terms, that they are complied with and that it is our Request.

Capt. Beleston. We are Yrs