

In Council 17th Nov^r 1770.

931. We are informed that there is a Quantity, of Fodder lodged in Mr. Maccubbin's House, used as a Barrack, and that the Soldiers have cut away several of the Posts and Stands of the Kitchen. We desire you'll go to the Barracks in Person, have the Fodder, if any there, instantly removed and Measures taken to prevent any Destruction of the Houses — We are &c.
Capt. Campbell

Gentlemen of the General Assembly.

930. The Council and I, finding that we were not likely to pay the Debt due from the State to Mr. Harrison by Remittances of Tobacco, in a reasonable Time, nor without very great Loss to the Public, purchased Bills of Exchange on France for that Purpose at the Rate of five, in Dollars at seven Shillings and six Pence, for one Sterling. The Schooner Gen. Smallwood which had made two Voyages to Martinique is of course of little Use to the State: having mentioned our Inclination to sell her, several Gentlemen have expressed ^{their} Desire of becoming Purchasers and at least £3200 might be got for her. I have inclosed her Inventory as given in by the Captain who lately sailed in her and the Council and I request your Advice whether an immediate Sale of her at Vendue might not be proper. — F. J.

19th Nov^r 1770.

In Council Annapolis 23rd Nov^r 1770.

939. Sir. Inclosed you receive a Copy of the Act for the Relief of sundry of the Inhabitants of this State, by which you will see that several Persons mentioned in it are excused from paying any Assessment heretofore imposed on the Inhabitants of this State and are to have a Return of what may already have been collected from them and that the Governor and Council are empowered in similar Cases to give the like Relief by making an Allowance in the present or any future Assessment, but those who have not taken and subscribed the Oath or Affirmation of Fidelity and Support to this State as directed by the Act for the better Security of the Government are excepted from the Relief to be given by the Governor and Council