

The Troop, every Person to entering into such Troop, to furnish him-
 self with Arms Guns and Furnitures fit for such Duty and to be
 discharged from any Company of Militia to which he belongs but
 N^o 376. Subject to the same Regulations as the Militia at large. There is no
 Law to justify you in taking the Arms from Individuals further
 than Arms the Property of the State. Such as are private Property
 you will return. It will be absolutely necessary to keep the Arms always
 in repair the Expence of which the State will pay, but it will never
 do to employ an idle Person with the additional Expence of an
 Overseer. You should hold a Court Martial immediately on
 those Men who refused to guard the Prisoners on being ordered
 by you, the Law passed the last Session subjects the Militia to
 the same Fines as under the former Militia Laws, and those in
 Spanish Dollars at 7/6 each to be paid in Bills of the new Emis-
 sions or the passing Value at the Time of Payment.

Joshua Beall Esq.

Sir, In Council, 18th April, 1781.
 Yours of the 11th and 10th have been received, This Treasury
 being exhausted, we have according to your Request drawn an
 377. Order on the Eastern Shore Treasurer for five Hundred Pounds.
 Should any Intelligence arrive relative to the Movements of the Enemy's
 Ships, you may depend on the earliest Notice. We expect the
 Waggon impeded by the Marquis are on their way to Elk
 sufficient Waggon having been ordered to Baltimore to receive
 them.
 Col. Hollingsworth.

In Council, 18th April, 1781.
 Sir, Before we can grant the Permission you request, you must inform us
 of the Name, built and Burthen of the Vessel, the Masters Name, the
 Number and Names of the Crew and furnish us with an Inventory
 of the Lloathing, Refreshments and necessaries and every Article on
 Board intended for the Troops and inform us of the Amount of the
 Cash when this is done we shall not hesitate to give Permission to
 the Flag to proceed to George Town and deliver her Cargo to such
 Officer as you may appoint to receive it under the following