

In Council, 1<sup>st</sup> Aug<sup>o</sup> 1781.

N<sup>o</sup> 671. Sir, We shall be much obliged to you to examine Mr. Woods who has applied for the place of Surgeon Major to one of the Maryland Regiments and to inform us of your Opinion of him.

Doct Murray.

In Council, 5<sup>th</sup> Aug<sup>o</sup> 1781.

672 Sir, It has been represented to us that the detaining the Horse taken from John Beans in Virtue of the late Act, will be attended with very great Hardships, that the Horse is the Property of John Beans his Son who lives with his Father, and is the only one for the use of both Families to ride or drive in a Chaise and is occasionally used by both, that John Beans Jun<sup>r</sup> is a married man and a Junor. As it is not our Desire that any of the people of the State should be oppressed when it can be avoided, we desire you would enquire into the above Circumstances and if you find the representation to be true, and that particular Hardships will result from the Detention of the Horse that you would restore him to the young man Mr. Robert Bowie.

In Council, 2<sup>d</sup> Aug<sup>o</sup> 1781.

Sir, We have received your Letter of the 2<sup>d</sup> July by Capt. Lyan which should have been answered sooner but a Multiplicity of Business constantly has prevented. The Recruits you sent and all others as they are arrive are regularly clothed and equipped. Your Vigilance in suppressing the Insurgents in Virginia under Pax was truly laudable with regard to the Property of those Men of the Catocton River Valley have absconded and supposed to be concerned in the Insurrection. We recommend you to take the Opinion of the Judges of the <sup>Special</sup> general Court. We are desirous of giving Mason all the reasonable Encouragement and shall be glad to have an Account of what he has done, and a sample of the Oaths he professes to make, the Oath and the Form. You shall have some Money to of the new Emigration to pay off your Workmen, but this Money must be paid as of the full <sup>of Oath</sup> value and for present Services. You must consult the Directions given by the general assembly in the late Laws as your draughts and