

immediately, and it can be done at little Expence, to the Public Good.
 N^o 1071. Frederick may be put to that Use; though if this Building can be delayed without Prejudice, till you can apply to the Minister of the War Department for his Approbation (as the Expence will be continued), we should prefer it. Should it not be necessary to erect an Hospital, you will dispose of the Timber on the best Terms in your Power. Abraham Miller of your County has petitioned to be relieved from a Fine imposed on him by a Court Martial; as the Proceedings of the Court have not been transmitted, we cannot take his case into Consideration. You will therefore be pleased to transmit them by the first Opportunity.
 Col^o Philip Thomas.

Sir

Infancil 15th March 1702

We are favored with yours of the 12th Inst. and are greatly obliged by the Information it contains. The first Moment we had any certain Account of the Enemy's Depredations, we took Measures to put the Barges in Motion, and we expected three of them would have been in Readiness by this Time, to proceed against the Enemy, but are disappointed; however we flatter ourselves that by Tuesday or Wednesday next, we shall be able to afford effectual Security, against the present Force in the Bay, to all above the Mouth of Patowmack.
 Col^o Richard Barnes

Sir

Infancil 19th March 1702.

For these two Weeks past, we have been greatly distressed by the Accounts we were constantly receiving of the Depredations of the Enemy in the Bay and on the Shores, and we have this Moment Information, that they were as high up last Saturday, as Sharp's Island, some Distance above the Mouth of Patowmack, where they have made a Number of Captures; and what adds sensibly to our Mortification, all this Mischief is done by a very inconsiderable Force. We dispatch this Letter by Express, in the flattering Expectation that it will be in your Power, as we know it will be your Inclination, to take effectual Measures to strip this contemptible Enemy of their Plunder, and punish them for their Temerity. The State of Maryland has several Barges, which would probably have been quite equal to the Defence of the Bay, against the present Force of the Enemy, but unfortunately, they have been laid up, almost ever since the Reduction of York, and are now in Condition for a Prize, for we did not imagine the Enemy would dare to show themselves higher up the Bay, while any of the Ships of his Most Christian Majesty were stationed at York.
 The Count de Kergaron Colmaria
 Commanding his Ma^{ty} Fleet in the Chesapeake }

Sir

Infancil 19th March 1702

We have agreed to supply Col^o Rawlings with any Quantity of public Supplies and Stores he may want, till our further Orders; you will therefore deliver it accordingly.
 Col^o Thomas Price

Sir

Infancil 20th March 1702

Five Hundred Pounds of the ~~Sum~~ is to be repaid to the Army. The following Persons are to be paid the same on the 1st of June, and the Balance is to be proportioned amongst the remaining Officers on the 1st of June. The Treasurer of the W^o Shore
 Mr. ~~John~~ ~~to the~~ ~~treasury~~