

should be in possession of this Return properly attested in order to be indispensed
for such Copy by the United States we take the liberty to request that you would send
to us the above Return if the same is attested to be a true Return by the Army
and if it is not that you would take the most speedy Measures of procuring
a proper attestation thereof, and forward the same as early as may be to the
Board. any expence that may arise in the Execution of this business the
Board will pay to your order.

Gen. Mountjoy Bayly
Frederick Town

We are &c
J. H. Stone

Sir In Council Annapolis June 6. 1776

We have received your Letter of the 2nd instant from Baltimore respecting
the Powder and we think you were right in postponing the sale for the reasons which
you state.

We presume that the Reports respecting Peace will in a short time be
reduced to some certainty either one way or the other and whenever that is
the Case so that nothing further can be gained by delay we wish the sale to be
completed. In the mean time you will probably have an opportunity of
hearing from Baltimore so as to guide you in fixing a time for your going
down. That time we must leave to your discretion only requesting it may be
so early as to have the business entirely closed before the meeting of the
assembly.

Valentine Brother Esq
Frederick Town

We are &c
J. H. Stone

In Council Annapolis June 16. 1776

It being stated to us by the Deposition of Thomas Gates and Jonathan
Harrison of the Town of Baltimore that a certain Robert Osborn who has fled
from the Justice of this State to the Commonwealth of Virginia did some short time