

with which he conducted the Negotiation with the British Government. When appointed to this trust he was informed by the Executive of Maryland that he had to rely upon the known liberality of his Native State, for any remuneration he might expect, for his exertions in promoting her Interest. and we feel the utmost confidence, that the General Assembly will duly appreciate the importance and value of his agency in bringing this tedious business to so fortunate a close.

We may leave respectfully to mention that a letter from the Secretary of War of the United States requesting a Return of the Militia, Arms and Ammunition of this State was some time since received by this Executive. From the deranged situation of our Militia and the expectation that some additional regulations would be adopted on this subject by the Legislature we have delayed complying with this request, as it was impossible from what appeared upon our Files, and our own knowledge, to present any other, than a very imperfect statement of the object desired by the Government of the United States.

The accounts and Report of the Treasurer will furnish a Statement of the bits due this State and the biters thereof. Confiscated property to the amount of sixteen hundred and forty eight pounds one shilling and four pence half penny has in the course of the present year been sold, but the most considerable Purchaser having omitted to give Bond according to the Terms of sale, the same remains incomplete and is not entered in the accounts of the Treasurer.

The enclosed Resolutions of the Legislature of Massachusetts marked C. proposing an alteration in the Constitution of the United States, have been received from the Governor of that Commonwealth and are herewith transmitted.

In conclusion, we beg leave to communicate, that the death of Thomas Harwood, Esquire, late Treasurer of the Western Shore having caused a vacancy in that office, Benjamin Harwood, Esquire, was appointed and commissioned agreeably to the Constitution to act as Treasurer until the meeting of the General Assembly.

We have the honor to be
Robert Bowie

The Honble the General Assembly
