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The enclosed is an order on the Treasurer of the Eastern Shore for the sum of £52. 0. 2 for expenses incurred as appears by your account transmitted us in equipping Capt James Kent's Minut Company for their expedition to Accomack & Northampton Counties in Va. And as the several articles furnished now belong to the Province we desire you will receive them into your possession upon the return of the Company and take proper care of them. We are sorry it is not in our power to compensate Mr James Brown who at the request of Capt Kent attended his Company in the capacity of Physician and Surgeon; however we assure you we will represent the matter to the next Convention and do not doubt they will take it into consideration and as the measure was expedient make an adequate satisfaction for his trouble and services.

To Committee of S. Comis.

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In Council of Safety Annapolis March 19th 1776.

Sir.

We should have answered your letter of the 11th instant by Mr Smyth before now, but the variety of business before the Council has prevented us and we would have you send out the Nancy Capt Wine immediately under the orders heretofore given and finish loading the Schooner Ninety two as speedily as possible and send the Capt to us for his sailing orders.

To Mr Hugh Young.

for orders

In Council of Safety March 20th 1776.

Sir.

Your favour of the 15th inst relative to the payment of paper money for the specie you had collected in pursuance of our order to Mfrs Evans, Murray and Steel was delivered us by Capt Woolford. The Council has some time past given several orders to the Treasurers of the W and E Shores to pay out of the Treasury bills of Credit for any sums that should be delivered them in gold or silver. You will therefore apply to the Treasurer of the E Shore for payment of paper money for what specie you may deliver him.

To Mr Evans.

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Sir.

In consequence of a letter we received from Mr Thompson of 14th last Month advising us of the imputation of 8 Tons of Gun Powder in Delaware by Capt Nathaniel Ramsey; and that he had engaged to supply your County with one ton of it we wrote you immediately requesting you would secure the whole for the use of this Province and transmitted by Capt Craig the sum of £500 for the ton engaged. But as we have since understood none of the powder was to be had we desire you will return the money by the first safe convenience and hope you will excuse our taking this liberty with you as we are not yet furnished with the Plates and Parcher for the new currency and drafts come in every day upon our Treasury which is reduced very low.

To Col. Ramsey

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