

informed of the particulars that have happened relative to the last.
 Captⁿ Thomas Bouway. We are &c.

Sir. 31st July 1776.

Mr. Woolsey of Baltimore Town informs us that he has heard there is a good flint Quarry about two miles from the head of Elk and of course we are told must be near your house or on your Land. The Congress foreseeing the necessity of having gun flints manufactured among us have requested the strictest search to be made after and the earliest intelligence given them of the discovery of any such Quarry in any of the independent States. We request you will therefore make enquiry and acquaint us of the success of such enquiry, with all the speed in your power. We are &c.

To Joseph Gelpin Esq^r. near the Head of Elk.

Sir. There is an immediate demand for tenting and shirting Linen for the Troops raised by this Colony in the Continental Service. It would be extremely serviceable to the publick and agreeable to us, that you would exert yourself all in your power to furnish this Province with what Quantities of the above articles you can, and send them directly to this place.

To Mr. Alex^r. McFaddow

We are &c.

Ge. Town.

31st July 1776.

Sir.

1st Aug^r 1776.

The vessel you and company have on the stocks, the Council of Safety are now desirous of purchasing, provided they can have her on reasonable Terms, let us know therefore whether your company will sell, and what price they ask. We expect your answer as soon as possible, when Mr. Steward our agent will attend to complete the contract, and give directions.

Captⁿ Geo. Woolsey.

We are &c.

Gentlemen. In consequence of an information we received that there were one or two Bar^s of Bullets and a quantity of gun flints belonging to this Province in the Possession of Mr. Leeds, we wrote to you the 14th July requesting that you would make enquiry into that matter and if you found it true, that you would take them under your care and send them to the Council of Safety by the first safe conveyance; but as we have not received any answer to our letter we presume it must have miscarried, and therefore we send you this, and beg that you will immediately examine into the truth of the above information.

To Committee Talbot.

Sir.

2^d Aug^r 1776.

Since our last we have had advice from Major Price our commanding officer in Saint Marys that the British Fleet lay near (the