

They be now to remain in the Harb. I should very much wish a supply on the Brig
let us know immediately. We are Sir

Captain John Martin. or care.

November 21st 1776

Sir we are informed by Capt. James Thomas, that you wanted the
charge of a sum of money to be delivered to Mr. Thomas Sparrow as occu-
sion may require. We have inclosed you an order on the Eastern Shore
Treasury for the sum of fifty pounds for that purpose, and request
you to deliver over the money to him, in proportion to the number of men
he may enlist. We have given a warrant to Mr. Sparrow to collect them
for the Mafro's companies.

We are Sir

Your Most Obedient Servant

21st 1776

To M^r. Thomas Muses.

Sir, I should Captain Stone, request you will please
let us know immediately that we may give the necessary security and
proper orders to the Sheriff: Capt. Stone petitions the Convention
and by his own desire the affair was postponed. Should he now make
a writ to Replevy it can be only to the object to the voyage which we
are determined to if possible the vessel shall be at liberty to make
the Interest of the State requires it, and on behalf of the public are
able and willing to give security to make up all damages. We are
glad to hear that Capt. King and Capt. Gibbins are ready or near ready
to sail, pray dispatch the Brig as fast as possible get the
work the way of necessity we rely on you and shall pay all rea-
sonable demands - Get Beef for the present as much as can be
satisfied with 500 bushels of salt. The residue of the salt we will
send to us the first opportunity. Pork will be plenty and expect
soon, and we doubt Salt very scarce -

We are sorry to hear the ~~Traders~~ complain
particularly Mr. Dugan certainly there was a time when industri-
ous tradesmen could get more than at your town at present if you
must spirit them up with good words and we will give them money
Neither France nor English can have any further indulgence in putting
Flour or Tobacco on board the Brig and be pleased to let them know
this immediately.

We are Sir

Joshua Hollingsworth Esquire.

P.S. Since writing the above we received yours of the
21st is informing us that Capt. King had sailed and Kelly almost
ready. We have ordered the Gov. as for the further Lib^y sail. (Be pleased
to write Mr. Christie the Ship of Baltimore, and let him know) that
we shall take care on behalf of the State to give him security to in-
demnify him and to pay Capt. Stone all damages. And that we should
be glad to see this ship when he comes to Annapolis. We are Sir