

Ordered, That the Treasurer of the Western Shore pay to Mr. William Lee Agent for the Ship's Defence, eight hundred pounds.

Ordered, That the Treasurer of the Western Shore, pay to Capt. John Allen Thomas Sixty one pounds five Shillings and eleven pence being the Balance of his general account.

Copy of Letter N^o 118. was sent to Cal. Smallerwoods.

Adjourned till next day 10 o'clock.

Tuesday 16 April 1770.

Council met. Present as yesterday.

Ordered, That Mr. Isaac McHard, supply Capt. Samuel Smith with bread for the use of his Company.

Ordered, That the Treasurer of the Western Shore pay to Capt. Thomas Eving two hundred pounds on account of his Company.

Ordered, That the said Treasurer pay to Messrs. John Shaw and the said Chisholm twenty two pounds six Shillings and eight pence for Stocking Musquets & other account.

Ordered, That the said Treasurer pay to Mr. Richard Ridgely eight pounds Currency to pay an Express to Philadelphia.

Ordered, That the S. Treasurer pay to Mr. Robert Collett thirty Shillings for painting gun Carriages.

In consequence of intercepted Letters received from the Committee of Safety of Virginia (Copies of which are inserted in the Letter Book, and follow at 120) the Council appointed a Deputation of two of their Body, Messrs. Carroll and Hall, and requested W. Paca Esq. to wait on the Governor with them, and desire a sight of his letter of the 27th of August to Lord Dartmouth and in case the same could not be procured, to ask his Parole that he would not leave the Province till the meeting of the Convention.

The Gentlemen reported, that they waited on his Excellency accordingly and desired a sight of the Letter; to which he answered, that he had sent away the Copy of that letter with all his papers of consequence, last Fall, and could not remember the Particulars, but observed we might be concerned there was nothing of a Nature unfriendly to the Peace of this Province; because the Troops going Southward were not ordered here: - he asserted also upon his honor that he had not endeavored to influence the Ministry by traducing the Characters of individuals, some he had spoke well of, others he had recommended as sufferers. - The Gentlemen of the Congress he had spoke of as acting in the line of Moderation.

That they then informed his Excellency, they were instructed to ask his Parole, that he would not leave the Province till the meeting of the Convention. The Governor complained of being unjustly suspected, gave them his Letter from William Eden Esq. his Brother one of the Under Secretaries of State, also from Lord Dartmouth. Copies of which he gave leave to take (and are inserted in the Letter Book) and desire time till the next Day 12 o'clock to give his definitive answer.