

N. 12. To the Delegates for Maryland in Congress.

gentle. We have had an alarm here of a very interesting Nature; we think it advisable to communicate the intelligence by express, at the same time letting you know what we have done therein and we are induced to expedite our dispatch, because we do not know, but that the Congress may have taken some steps in this same Affairs; copies having been forwarded to them from the Committee of Observation for Baltimore County, to whom the whole Packet was transmitted by the Committee of Safety of Virginia, we think very improperly; as the Address ought to have been made in the first Place to us.

Some Time past Alexander Ross (a great Scoundrel) who I applied to our Board for a Permit to <sup>Lord</sup> Dunmore under Pretence of private Business; getting some Money, that was due to him, as he alledged; he brought us a Letter from two Gentlemen of the Congress Mess<sup>r</sup>s Alexander and Rogers, which no doubt Rec. rememb'ren we refused to give him any other Permit, than to the Committee of Safety of Virginia; whether he went we are told,