

the Landing Coats to protect the Transports on
the Arrival there; in consequence of which we have
ordered down the Brigs Fortune and Rogers and the
Schooner Ninety two with valuable cargoes of Powder
Troncs &c and require you will give them what
Assistance you can in getting out, if you see a
Probability of their running thro', but if from
any certain Intelligence, which you may
receive, you should think it most likely they
may fall into the Hands of the Enemy, if
they proceed, we would have you immediately order
them to return to Baltimore. - it is a Matter
of great consequence to the Province to have
those Vessels get safe out, if possible, and we
would have them conveyed down as low as you
think you can venture with safety to yourself.

Post Order the Boat which } We are &c
will deliver you this to speak the }
Vessels on their way down the Bay }
and to have them to join you }
May 20th 1776.