

Charles Lawrence of the Council of Safety to furnish me  
with a Boat for the above purpose at the rate of  
twenty five shillings per Day, and immediately to set out with  
my said Boat for the purpose of gaining intelligence  
concerning the said Revolution; and that I will give him a  
Dinner on my best Provisions to gain such Intelligence and  
as Congress may require, communicate the same to the Council  
of Safety.

Instructions were given according to the Captain's  
Adjourned till 3 o'clock, and next morning's adjournment  
The following advertisement was ordered to be published  
in the Maryland Gazette.

All Merchants and other Persons who are desirous  
of contributing to support and furnish this Province with a  
Quantity of Salt sufficient for the use of the Inhabitants  
thereof may be acquainted with the Terms offered by the  
Continental Congress under which they may do the same,  
by attending the Council of Safety on the 5th Day of  
February next at the City of Annapolis.

Mr. Middleton agreed to furnish a Boat for the  
above purpose and on the same Terms as Captain Smith