

wrote from any supposition that a misunderstanding about the price of rigging might arise between us, it was solely to make you acquainted with the expected price of hemp, and that you might determine from this circumstance, whether you wou'd take cordage at a price in proportion to the cost of hemp; some price for cordage I suppose will be establisht at Baltimore, and more I presume I am not to ask. However I do not apprehend a third person will be want'd to interpose between us, being fully persuaded every matter relating to this business, will without difficulty be adjusted between ourselves.

I am, Sir your most obed<sup>t</sup> Serv<sup>t</sup>

Chris. Lowndes.

The Hon<sup>ble</sup> John Hall Esq<sup>r</sup> at Annapolis

Friday February 14<sup>th</sup> 1777.

C. S. J.

Council met. Present as on yesterday

Ordered That the Western Shore Treasurer pay to Nicholas Thomas fourteen Pounds fourteen Shillings for Attendance in Council of Safety & it<sup>s</sup> ch<sup>s</sup>

Recruiting Warrants Issued to Gedeon Emory & Will<sup>m</sup> Stinson of Queen Anns County. Also to Jon<sup>a</sup> Gibson of Talbot County. Copy of Letter N<sup>o</sup> 160 was sent to the Committee of Harford County.

Ordered That The Western Shore Treasurer pay to Benjamin Bradford Norris One Hundred and fifty Pounds for the use of the Harford Committee.

That The Commissary pay to Dermond Cramphin Three Rations

Copy of Letter N<sup>o</sup> 161 was sent to Capt. Benj. James.

Ordered That the Western Shore Treasurer pay to John Omensetter fifteen Pounds. That the said Treasurer pay to William Nevin & Comp<sup>y</sup> Thirty four Pounds Three Shillings and Six pence

That the said Treasurer pay to Oliver Whiddon four Pounds Ten Shillings for 2 Guns.

Recruiting Warrant Issued to William Lamar of Frederick County. Copy of Letter N<sup>o</sup> 162 was sent to Vanbibber and Harrison.

Ordered That the Western Shore Treasurer pay to General Smallwood One Thousand Dollars.

Adjourned till next Day 10 °Clock.

[Council to Harford Committee.]

February 12<sup>th</sup> 1777

C. S. C.  
No. 160.

Gent. We herewith send you one hundred & fifty pounds for the purpose you mention, but wish you had sent us an