

Sir

Feb'y 20th 1777

The dispute between you and the Pursers of the defence is not of consequence enough to lay before the General Assembly Nor do we conceive that you can oblige Mr (Minto de lina) up his books before a settlement or a copy of them you are entitled to and if he does not either settle his accounts immediately & deliver his books or a copy of them inform the Council thereof and such steps will be pursued as will enforce a compliance with the requisition

Capt. G. Cooke

We are &c

Sir

Feb'y 22nd

We are in very great want of Twenty four pounders and should be much obliged to you to cart them in the manner Mr Steward may direct as soon as you possibly can

Mr Sam^l Dorsey.

We are &c

Sir

22nd Feb'y 1777

We are obliged by your information about the prisoners are of opinion that the committee without loss of time appoint some proper person in whom they can confide to take care of the prisoners therein & find them provision. This in all probability will not continue longer than till the qualification of the Governor & his council when commissions will issue to the several elected Sheriffs & is a necessary step which we conceive must be immediately taken to prevent those people being let at large who ought to be kept under confinement

James Calhoun Esq.

We are &c

Sir

Feb'y 22. 1777

We are in great want of six four pounders to fit out a Galley immediately for a particular expedition down the Bay we should be obliged to let Mr Steward have them and you may depend upon their being returned before the defence can be ready to proceed on a cruise We &c.

Sir

Feb'y 25th 1777

In compliance with the request of the of the Mr Hanover of New Board of War we have furnished Doct Samuel (Mc Kenzie) with such medicines as we could possibly spare & sincerely wish it had been in our power to have done it more amply but considering the number of sick in this State & our low stock of medicines we could not part with a larger quantity

Richard Pitts Esq

We are &c

Secretary Board of War

Sir

Feb'y 28. th 1777

We understand our Bay is now clear of men of war and