

C. S. C.
No. 64.

[Council to Wright.]

To Col^o Thomas Wright

Sir.

We have received your Favor of the 12th Inst. inclosing Commissions of Officers in the Militia who have refused to accept them and now transmit you others to supply their Places. The same Motives that led you to withhold them so long, which we think you are highly commendable in doing, we hope will induce you still to persist in your Efforts to settle and quiet the minds of the People at this alarming Crisis of our Affairs and to reconcile them to the Appointments of Field-Officers in your County, which the last Convention thought proper to make and we cannot but flatter ourselves when they reflect seriously on the Consequences which will inevitably flow from the Measures they have adopted, they will no longer pursue them. If our Expectations should not however be answered in a short Time and they should obstinately persevere, it will then become our indispensable Duty to pursue different, tho' disagreeable Expedients, and to exert the Powers which we are invested with for the Public Good with a View to that End.

We have fixed the Station of the Troops for your County at Blunt's Ware-House on Kent Island & shall order them to repair there as soon as they can be supplied with Provision, which we imagine will be by the last of next Week at furthest.

18th March 1776

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Monday 18. March 1776.

Council met. Present as yesterday except M^r Hands.

Ordered, That the Treasurer of the Eastern Shore deliver to M^r Charles Wallace unsigned Bills of Credit of this Province to the Amount of £6000.

Copy of Letter N^o 65 was sent to William Hindman Treasurer of the Eastern Shore.

Adjourned till 3 o'Clock and met accordingly.

Commissions issued to Thomas Williams appointed first Major and Thomas Snowden, second Major of the 25th Battalion of Militia in Prince Georges County.

Also to Thomas Richardson appointed Captain, Ralph Crabb 1 L^t & William Holmes 2^d L^t of a Company of Militia in said County and also to Basil Waring (the 3rd) appointed Captain & William D. Beall 1 L^t of a Company of Militia in s^d County belonging to the 25th Battalion.

Adjourned 'till next Day 9 o'Clock.