

Major Mordecai Gist in Obedience to the Order of the 24<sup>th</sup> Instant having also appeared before the Council in Consequence of his Instructions to Captain Samuel Smith, and alleging he gave the same in a Hurry and through Inadvertency, and declaring upon his Honour that he apprehended that Captain Samuel Smith when he came to Annapolis was to take his Orders from the Council of Safety. Thereupon Ordered, That he be informed as above of the Opinion of this Board, and that he be cautioned to be more on his Guard for the future. C. S. J.

Captain Samuel Smith in Obedience to the Order of the 24<sup>th</sup> Inst. also appeared before the Council and was examined with Respect to the Instructions he received from M<sup>r</sup> Samuel Purviance, and his Conduct after his Arrival at Annapolis in Consequence of said Instructions; in Vindication whereof he presented a Representation of his Conduct to the Council in Writing, which was read & ordered to lie on the Table.

Ordered That the Treasurer of the Western Shore pay to M<sup>r</sup> John Gordon five hundred and ninety six Pounds four Shillings for 994 Cartouch Boxes, Bayonet Bills and Gun slings.

Commissions issued to Samuel Calwell appointed Captain, Thomas Hutchins 1 L<sup>t</sup> and Joseph Lewis 2<sup>d</sup> L<sup>t</sup> of a Company of Militia in Harford County belonging to the 8<sup>th</sup> Battalion.

Also to James M<sup>c</sup>Comas appointed Captain Benjamin Scott 1 Lieutenant, Martin Preston 2<sup>d</sup> L<sup>t</sup> and James Steele Ensign of a Company of Militia in said County belonging to the said Battalion.

Also to Bennett Bussey appointed Captain Joshua Miles 1 Lieutenant, Azael Hitchcock jr 2<sup>d</sup> Lieu<sup>t</sup> and Joseph Amos Ensign of a Company of Militia of said Battalion.

Also to Robert Harris appointed Captain, William Coale 1 Lieut. William Downes 2<sup>d</sup> Lieut. and Joshua Renshaw jun<sup>r</sup> Ensign of a Company in same Battalion.

Also to James S<sup>t</sup> Clair appointed 2<sup>d</sup> Lieut. of Cap<sup>t</sup> William McComas's Company of Militia in said County.

Also to Alexander Cowen appointed Captain John Beale Howard 1 Lieutenant, Samuel Groome Osborn 2<sup>d</sup> Lieut. and Lambert Wilmer Ensign of a Company of Militia in said County.

Also to William Webb appointed Captain Ignatius Wheeler 1 L<sup>t</sup> William Fisher 2<sup>d</sup> L<sup>t</sup> and Samuel Webb junior Ensign of a Company of Militia in said County.

Also to John Patrick appointed Captain, Winston Dallam 1 Lieutenant, Samuel Bailey 2<sup>d</sup> L<sup>t</sup> and Richard Ward Ensign of a Company of Militia in said County.

Also to John Jolley appointed Captain, John Montgomery 1 Lieut. James Wilson 2<sup>d</sup> Lieut. and James Thomas Ensign of a Company of Militia in said County.