

by the Committees of Observation under our Direction) hope you'll order the same into their Hands or otherwise as you may think proper. I am Gentⁿ with due Esteem

Y^r mot. Obedient Hble Serv^t
Jn^o Dent

[Lux and Bowly to Council.]

Original.

Baltimore 30 April 1776

Gentlemen As Capt. Patterson does not chuse to proceed in the Fortune, we have engaged Capt. Sund to proceed the Voyage, with your approbation, and for that purpose he waits on you, the Brig is ready and we think it the fairest Opportunity to push out. We send you Inclosed some Letters we just received from M^r Vanbebber, by which you will see his situation, and that it is necessary to support him. We would recommend to order the Cap^t to S^t Martins as Cap^t Vanbebber directs. You will please to give the Cap^t his orders & dispatch him as soon as convenient.

A Gentleman from North Car^o yesterday brings us the acco^t of their taking a Tender with Old Goodrich of Virg^a on board, he saw him put into Hallifax Goal. And we have an acco^t today that the Roebuck is on shore on a Shoal called the Hen & Chickens just to the Southward of Cape Henlopen, and that the Province Ship and another with all the Gondola's were gone down to take her

We are most respectfully
Gentⁿ your obliged Obed^t Serv^{ts}
Lux & Bowly

Please to return Cap^t Vanbebbers Letters.

Wednesday 1st May 1776.

C. S. J.

Council met. Present as yesterday.

Ordered That the Treasurer of the Western Shore pay to M^r James Taylor five Pounds Currency in Part Payment for his making Gun Carriages.

Ordered That the said Treasurer pay to John Hall Esq^r fifty eight Pounds sixteen Shillings for 84 Days Attendance as a member of the Council to the first instant inclusive.

Ordered That the said Treasurer pay to M^r Nicholas Ruxton Moore Eleven Pounds thirteen Shillings, and four pence for his Expences to and from Philadelphia to carry Gold and Silver Coin for the Operations in Canada.