

[Barrister Carroll to Council.]

Original.

Gentⁿ I have as M^r Tilghman desired in his to me of Thursday made enquiry for small vessels, but Cannot find that any are to be got here on freight. I fancy if they are to be procured it will be down the Bay, the sooner they are got the better, as I fear the flower now begins to spoil. I was yesterday down at the fort, they are pretty forward, and the resistance they can now make, if the Enemy should come up, will not be very inconsiderable we are not in much apprehension of the Otter or even double her force, but in the Connecticut Dialect of old Roger Sherman where is the Powder.

I am Gent^l Your most obed^t Serv^t Cha^s Carroll.
Mount Clare June 2^d 1776.

Monday 3^d June 1776.

C. S. J.

Met according to Adjournment. Present the same Members as on Saturday except M^r Hall and M^r Tilghman.

The Honble William Hayward Esq^r a Member of the Council attended and was qualified before M^r Hall by taking the Oath prescribed by the Convention.

Copies of Letter N^o 10 were sent to Brigadier General Hooper and Chamberlaine, Colonels Mackall, Barnes and Weems respectively also to Captains Rezin Beall and John Allen Thomas.

Ordered That the Treasurer of the Western Shore pay to M^r John Gassaway two hundred Pounds Common money for the use of Lieutenant Colonel Francis Ware to be accounted for.

Adjourned till next Day 10 O'Clock.

[Council to Officers.]

C. S. C.
No. 10.

To Brigadiers Chamberlaine & Hooper, Colo^s Wright, Weems, Mackall & Barnes, & Capt^{ns} Beall & Thomas (respectively)

Sir.

The Enclosed extract from a letter of Comodore Hamond to Governor Eden, (in consequence of an intercourse between his Excellency and the Convention) will inform you, that a man of war, may be daily expected up the Bay. We give you this notice that the militia need not be alarmed or unnecessarily drawn out upon duty, on sight of these vessels. We make not the least doubt, but that you will give the orders necessary for preventing any insult being offered either on her passage up or down the Bay.