

c. s. J. Ordered, That the Treasurer of the Western Shore pay unto M^r Alexander or his Order, two Thousand six hundred and sixty six Dollars and two Thirds of a Dollar out of the Bills of Credit in his Hands to enable him to advance as aforesaid

The Council adjourned till the next Day 10 o'Clock in the forenoon.

Thursday 31st August.

The Council met according to Adjournment

Resolved, That the Treasurer of the Western Shore out of the Bills of Credit in his Hands pay unto M^r Isaac Harris or his Order four Dollars and two Thirds of a Dollar for every [good substantial proved] Musquet Barrell 3½ Feet long and three [quarters of an] Inch in the Bore agreeable to the one now made and [delivered] and for a pair of brass Molds as aforesaid for every 80 Barrels which the said Harris shall deliver to the said Treasurer before the first Day of May next.

Resolved, That Robert Alexander Esq^r be empowered to contract for the purchase of 5000 Cartouch Boxes to hold 23 Rounds of Powder and Ball with good Belts for a sum not exceeding one Dollar for each Cartouch Box and Belt, and for 5000 Gun Belts and 5000 Bayonet Belts for a sum not exceeding one third of a Dollar for each Belt, and for 1650 Scabbards for Bayonets for a Sum not exceeding one third part of a Dollar for each Scabbard.

Ordered, That the Treasurer of the Western Shore pay unto M^r Alexander or his Order 5000 Dollars out of the Bills of Credit in his Hands to enable him to advance to the Contractors.

Ordered, That the Treasurer of the Western Shore pay unto Thomas Johnson Jun. Esq^r or his Order, Two thousand eight hundred [and fifty dollars to be by him] laid out in the purchase of good double [bridle locks] good plain Brass mounting black Walnut or Maple Stocks, Steel Ramrods, Bayonets with Steel Blades 17 Inches long, double Screws, priming Wires and Brushes for 500 Musquets.

The following Letter from Thomas Jenings Esq^r was received by the Council.

Gentlemen

Matters of an interesting Nature require my Attendance in England, and the present Recess of Business enables me to undertake the Voyage with little Inconvenience to my private