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[Johnson to Council.]

Gentlemen.

Fred^k Town Oct^r 18, 1775

I inclose you certificates of the Enrollments of Capt Cha^s Beatty and Cap^t James Johnson's Companies they hope that you will be pleased to have the several Commissions made out as far as convenient, that they may be in rediness to obey the command of the Convention or of yourselves.

I am Gen^t y^r Obed^t Serv^t

B. Johnson

C. S. J. At a Meeting [of the Council of Safety of] Maryland at Chester Town in Kent [County on Tuesday] the 20th Day of October 1775, were present

The Honble Matthew Tilghman Esq^r

James Hollyday

Richard Lloyd

Thomas Smyth, and

Henry Hooper Esq^{rs}The Honble Daniel of S^t Thomas Jenifer Esq^rThomas Johnson Jun^r

Charles Carroll, Barrister,

Robert Alexander, and

Charles Carroll of Carrollton, Esq^{rs}

The Honble Matthew Tilghman Esq^r Richard Lloyd, Thomas Smith, and Henry Hooper Esq^{rs} having previously signed the Association, were qualified before Emory Sudler Esq^r by taking the Oath prescribed by the Convention.

Eleazar McComb was chosen Clerk, and qualified before M^r Sudler, by taking the Oath directed by the Convention.

The Council adjourned till Tomorrow morning at 9 o'Clock.

Saturday 21st October 1775

The Council met pursuant to Adjournment.

In Consequence of an Application made by M^r William Whetcroft, of Annapolis, the Council agreed as follows viz.

The Council of Safety promise M^r William Whetcroft that [in case he will next Spring import] a sufficient number of Workmen, and [will deliver for the] use of this Province for every week for two [years] then next following, fifty good substantial proved Musquets 3½ feet long in the Barrel and of three Quarters of an Inch in the Bore, with good double Bridle Locks, black Walnut or maple Stocks, and plain strong