

troops for the war. Both these propositions have been rejected. This Day a resolve passed, that each State be at liberty to enlist for the war or three years, what our Commissioners will do I know not, nor can I advise them. I am amazed at the obstinacy of Congress.

The paper for our money is shipped this day. M<sup>r</sup> Paca arrived this morning, so that we are now represented, but if M<sup>r</sup> Rumsey should go to Camp, we shall soon be without a Representation. I am, Gentlemen, with Respect & Regard

Your most obed<sup>t</sup> Servant  
Sam<sup>l</sup> Chase

Friday 22<sup>d</sup> November 1776.

C. S. J.

Council met. Present as on yesterday.

Ordered That the Commissary of Stores deliver to Captain John Kiltie four Bolts of Canvas.

John Pratt of Capt. Thomas's Company being an Invalid, Ordered that he be discharged from the Service.

Ordered That the Paymaster discharge the Pay of the said John Pratt from the eighth of October to this present Day.

Copy of Letter N<sup>o</sup> 22 was sent to M<sup>r</sup> Amos Garret, Copy of N<sup>o</sup> 23 to the Deputies in Congress, and Copy of N<sup>o</sup> 24 to General Beall.

Adjourned till next Day 10 O'Clock.

[Council to Garrett.]

C. S. C.  
No. 22.

Sir. We received yours of the 29<sup>th</sup> & 31<sup>st</sup> of last month and should be obliged to you to send down the Blankets and Linen by the first opportunity, to Annapolis; or to Baltimore Town where be pleased to deliver them to Gerard Hopkins our Commissary.

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Mr. Amos Garret.

[Council to Maryland Deputies.]

No. 23.

Gent<sup>n</sup> We send you enclosed copy of a letter from the Convention of Dorchester County, by which you will perceive what confusion they are in about salt. We are under some apprehension the affair may have very serious consequences, especially if the Enemy should send any troops to this Bay. We have wrote the Committee and given them our opinion, that they had better wait, a short time at least, until General Chamberlain's return from Philadelphia, when the upper Brigade may be put in motion. We have no salt to send