

Lib. C. C. Being a Committee of Congress appointed to confer with Major General Greene now in this city, we find it is General Washington's settled opinion that Gen^l Howe may suddenly attempt to gain this Capital. We wish that the new Levies in your State may be forwarded with the utmost expedition possible, so that they may either join our troops already in the Jerseys, or at least be at hand to arrest the enemy at the Delaware, in the supposed attempt to pass it.

Our address to you in a plain narrative and wish is all which your character makes necessary even on this singularly critical occasion.

In the Name of the Committee

I am, with Esteem, your Excellency's Friend & humb. Serv^t
 Philad^a March 22^d 1777 Daniel Roberdeau

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March 25th 1777

Ordered That the commissary of Stores at Annapolis deliver to Col^o Tho^s Price, for the use of the second Regiment, fifty stand of Arms and Accoutrements.

Ordered, That the Western Shore Treasurer pay to Col^o Thomas Price two thousand, two hundred pounds, on Acc^t

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Ordered, That the Treasurer aforesaid pay to Lieut^t Col^o Samuel Smith, for the use of Col^o Hall's Regiment, fifteen hundred Pounds, on Account.

Ordered, That the Treasurer aforesaid pay to Rachel Parker two Pounds, ten shillings, for Amount of her Account.

Ordered, That the Treasurer aforesaid pay to Thomas Long nine Pounds, two shillings, and eleven Pence, for Am^t of his Acc^t

That the said Treasurer pay to Martin Harriss, sixteen Pounds, ten shillings, for Am^t of his Acc^t

Richard Ridgely was appointed Clerk to the Council, and qualified by taking the Oath of Fidelity to the State, and subscribing a declaration of his Belief in the Christian Religion, and also the following oath of Office, to wit, "I Richard Ridgely do swear, that as Clerk to the Council, I will true entries make of all such matters, and Things, as by the Governor, or President for the Time being, and that Board, shall be to me directed. That I will not disclose any matter or Thing, directed by the Council to be kept secret, but will in all Things, as Clerk to the said Council, well and truly demean myself, according to the best of my knowledge. So help me God