

an Officer, or some trusty Hand to receive them and have c. c. them lodged at a convenient Place for you.

To Col^o William Richardson

We are &^{ca}

Inclosing as above, and an Order to deliver the Arms to Col^o Richardson or his Order.

[Council to N. Smith.]

In Council Annapolis 24th Ap^l 1777.

Sir.

The Board of War lately wrote to the Governor to remove the Scotch Prisoners in Baltimore, from thence. We have understood they were carried off with some Detachment of the Maryland Continental Regiments. Advise us if there are any, and what Prisoners, in Baltimore Town, that proper Order may be taken.

Cap^t Nath^l Smith

We are &^{ca}

April 25th 1777.

C. B.

Present the same members, as on yesterday.

Ordered That the Western Shore Treasurer pay to Charles Wallace Howard fifty Pounds, on Acc^t

Recruiting Warrant issued to Thomas Bromfield of Somerset County to enlist men for the ship Defence, during the War, the Term of three years, or the cruize according to the usual Terms of Privateers.

April 26th 1777.

Present the same members, as on yesterday.

Ordered, That the Western Shore Treasurer pay to Captain George Cooke one hundred pounds on Acc^t

Recruiting Warrant issued to John Handy to enlist men for the Ship Defence.

[Council to Hancock.]

C. C.

Annapolis 26th Ap^l 1777.

Sir.

Permit us, through you, to lay before Congress, a Copy of a Letter wrote by us to Cap^t James Nicholson, and of his Answer thereto. We do not know nor can conjecture what Reasons Cap^t Nicholson can have, to think Congress will not