

[Council to Norton and Beall.]

C. C.

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In Council Annapolis 17th May 1777.

Gen^t

We have sent M^r King the Bearer of this, for the Medicines belonging to this State, which were lodged in M^r King's Store at Petersburg. Your S. Beall promised to be so kind, as to forward them in some Vessel, bound to Bal^t with Directions to be lodged here, but our Necessities are so pressing that we have sent on purpose imagining that there has not been Time, as yet, for M^r Beall's Orders to have had any Effect. If the Medicines still remain at Petersburg, we have given M^r King Order to proceed there for them, and we shall be thankful for any Assistance you may be pleased to give him

We are &^{ca}

Mess^{rs} Norton & Beall }
Williamsburg }

[Council to B. King.]

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In Council Annapolis 17th May 1777.

Sir

You are to proceed in the Plater to York River in Virginia, from whence you will go by Land to Williamsburg and deliver the Letter given into your Charge to Mess^{rs} Norton & Beall, if our Medicines are there you will remove them with great Care on board your Vessel and return with them with all Dispatch. If the Medicines still remain at Petersburg, you are to go there and apply to M^r King, in whose Store they are, for them, and bring them to Williamsburg and so across, unless Mess^{rs} Norton & Beall should recommend a different Method, if they do, you'll proceed as they think best, we imagine a Boat may be had, if necessary, in the Neighbourhood of Williamsburg, to go to Petersburg. The Medicines are of great Value to us, and the Packages and Vessels which contain them, subject to break, therefore your greatest Care is expected. M^r King may want an Order from us, if desired, you will give a Receipt on this.

We are &^{ca}

M^r Benj^a King }
Packages MC N^o 1 to 11 }
N^o 1 a large Cask }
2 to 11. Barrels. }

[Council to Maj. Smith.]

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In Council Annapolis 17th May 1777.

Sir.

We have made the Appointments as you recommend; M^r Judah has the Commissions, you will notify M^r Handy of his