

Wednesday January 1, 1777

C. S. J.

Council met. Present as yesterday.

Copy of Letter N^o 78 was sent to Col. John Murdock and Copy of N^o 79 to Brigadier General Chamberlaine, and John Hanson junior Esquire respectively.

Ordered That the Western Shore Treasurer pay to Nicholas Thomas Esquire for the use of John Harris seven Pounds ten Shillings.

That the said Treasurer pay to John M^ofadon seventy five Pounds and ten Pence: that the said Treasurer pay to the said John M^ofadon the further Sum of One hundred and fifty Pounds.

That the said Treasurer pay to Doct^r James Murray ten Pounds two Shillings.

That the said Treasurer pay to Philip Key ninety four Pounds eleven shillings and nine Pence.

That the said Treasurer pay to John Hall Esquire Trustee to Thomas Rutland fifty three Pounds and ten Pence.

Commission issued to Thomas Walker appointed Commander of the Ship or Galley called the Baltimore.

Commissions issued to William Brown appointed Captain, William Campbell first Lieutenant, and Abraham Berthaud second Lieutenant of a Company of Matrosses in the City of Annapolis.

Adjourned till next Day 10 O'Clock.

[Council to Murdock.]

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No. 78.

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Sir, We received your's of the 28th of December but know not how to give any certain answer, Congress having made no written requisition to us relative to the militia, nor have they in any manner explained to us the destination of those Troops. The militia are to move forward on the requisition of the Honourable Congress; and no question if you apply to them, or to your Brigadier but they will inform you of every thing necessary or proper to be known. We are sorry to find the militia so very backward, perhaps the news of the victory lately obtained (a narrative of which you will find inclosed in the inclosed hand-bill) may serve as a spur to the