

c. c. we have not got them, nor can procure them. Your enrolled Militia was, by express Resolution of Congress to have been paid by the Continent and to act with Col^o Richardson's Battalion. We cannot think that, on having the Pay Rolls made up and certified by him, there will be any Difficulty in drawing the Pay: if there should, transmit us the Pay Rolls, and you shall immediately receive the Money. We are &^{ca}
 Cap^t Robert Wright

c. B Friday 24th October 1777.

Present as on yesterday

Ordered that the western shore Treasurer pay to Robert John Smith one hundred and thirty three pounds per Acc^t passed.

c. c. [Council to J. Hollingsworth.]

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In Council 24th Oct^r 1777.

Sir

We shall be glad to have your Account settled & the Balance paid. We find that the Captains, by applying to you, get Articles which we would not allow, and, in many Instances, People who have Accounts with us, also apply to and get money of you, by which means we have not the Judgment and Control over the Public Money designed by the Legislature, and accounts may be twice paid, or those which would not pass, may get paid. Wherefore we request that you will not advance any Thing in future, on Account of the Public, without our particular Request, for we clearly see this Mode of conducting the Business will not do.

M^r Jesse Hollingsworth.

We are &^{ca}

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[Council to C. Lowndes.]

In Council 24th Oct^r 1777.

Sir.

We write to Cap^t Coursey to wait on you himself and explain his Bill for Cordage, Belt wants his for a different Vessel, he says he wrote to you for a Ten inch Cable and half a Ton of small Cordage. I suppose he is mistaken, and that he wrote for the Ton, as you mention, tho' the Cable and half Ton only were wanted by him. We do not think we shall have Occasion for the ten Tons of Hemp, besides what you now have by you, though we possibly may and therefore we wish you to contract for it. If it should not be all immediately, or as soon as you work it up, wanted by the Public, it