

c. c. necessary; and I am in hopes with what he will receive from you, there will be, a sufficient quantity for the present Demand.

I am sensible of the low State of our own Treasury and I believe I may assure you with truth, that the Continental Treasury here is in a much worse situation. However we have procured a Warrant on Tho<sup>s</sup> Harwood Esq<sup>r</sup> commissioner of the continental loan office for the State of Maryland for twenty thousand dollars, drawn in your favour for the purpose of recruiting the Army.

The Situation of our Army is truly alarming and unless we can supply it with provisions by some means more effectual than any now adopted, I am afraid they must separate. a Committee is now out for that purpose

The Army is to under go a Reformation M<sup>r</sup> Carroll was one of the members of Congress appointed on that Business, but the indisposition of M<sup>rs</sup> Carrol called him home, the other Gentlemen that were appointed are now at Camp.

Congress have at length agreed upon the just and equitable Doctrine of Retaliation, which you may see by the enclosed papers.

We have no news. make my respects to the Council and believe me to be Sir

With great respect your very hb<sup>le</sup>  
Serv<sup>t</sup> J. Henry Jun<sup>r</sup>

c. B.

Wednesday 28 January 1778.

Present as on yesterday

Commission of Letter of Marque and Reprisal issued to John Rogers Master of the Schooner called the General Smallwood mounting four Carriage Guns navigated by 10 Men belonging to the State of Maryland & dated 20 Oct<sup>r</sup> 1777.

Ordered That the western shore Treasurer pay to Lieut<sup>t</sup> Phillip Casson three hundred and seventy three pounds three Shillings and four pence due his Comp<sup>y</sup> whilst in actual Service per Account passed.

That the said Treasurer pay to M<sup>r</sup> Downes four hundred and eighty two pounds, seven shillings and three Pence half penny per Account passed.

That the said Treasurer pay to John Johnson one hundred and sixty eight pounds fifteen shillings for 9 Months Salary as Auditor of Accounts at £225 per annum per Account passed.

That the said Treasurer pay to Major James Tootle eighty six pounds nine shillings and eight pence per Account passed.

That the said Treasurer pay to Doct<sup>r</sup> Richard Burgess twenty nine pounds for 58 Days Service as Surgeons Mate to Col<sup>o</sup> Marbury's Battalion of Militia whilst in actual Service