

are requested to give him Dispatch. There are other Goods, c. c. we presume, lodged with you, belonging to the Continent: if the Galley can take them in, we desire they may also be sent, or so many as the Captain can take on Board. If there should be any Provisions purchased by the Agent, send them also.

We are &<sup>ca</sup>

Robertson Stephens Esq<sup>r</sup> }  
Shff. Dorchester County }

[Council to Capt. Coursey.]

In Council Annapolis Ap<sup>l</sup> 29<sup>th</sup> 1778

Sir.

We expected, agreeable to our former Orders that you would have been down here before this Time. We now desire that you will immediately proceed down with your Galley, no Excuse will be admitted

We are &<sup>ca</sup>

Cap<sup>t</sup> Coursey

[Clerk of Council to S. Nichols.]

In Council Annapolis 29<sup>th</sup> Ap<sup>l</sup> 1778

Sir.

In Consequence of what you wrote me some Time ago, I informed the Council that you had engaged 50 Hh<sup>ds</sup> of Tobacco and we depended upon you for that Quantity. The Price of Tobacco has taken a greater Rise than was expected, and we shall make you a further Allowance. The Council wants 10 Hh<sup>ds</sup> more to compleat a Load for a Vessel they are sending to Sea and will be obliged to you to furnish the Quantity, so as to make, in the Whole 60 Hh<sup>ds</sup> The Tobacco we doubt not but you will get upon the best Terms, and the Money shall be paid to your Order. The Tobacco you will be pleased to deliver to Capt<sup>n</sup> Walker, whose Galley we have ordered to take it in, and, we trust, Dispatch will be given her. Can you furnish about 40 Hh<sup>ds</sup> more at the Price now going? Send over the Weights of the Tobacco, that I may be enabled to settle with the State

I am &<sup>ca</sup> E. L.

To M<sup>r</sup> Sam<sup>l</sup> Nichols }  
Wye River }

Friday 1 May 1778

C. B.

Present as on Wednesday Tho Sim Lee Esq<sup>r</sup> Attended  
Ordered that M<sup>r</sup> Crysall deliver to Captain Massey of the Defence Tender Thirty pounds Tallow & some Terpentine