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Regiment have been preferred and now hold Commissions superiour to theirs and to request that your Honorable Board would take such order therein that said Officers may be preferred to such Commissions as their preceding Rank will entitle them to and that no further Promotions in the Maryland Line be made without previously consulting the State. M^r Roger Nelson who was wounded in the Action of the 16th August last and made Prisoner served as a Volunteer during the last Campaign under Colonel Williams in Consequence of his Promise to recommend him to the Executive of Maryland for an Ensigns Commission. Colonel Williams has since wrote to us and says he is a Gentleman of Education and Merit and requests he may be appointed an Ensign in the sixth Regiment. After the new Arrangement is made there will be several Vacancies in the Maryland Line for Ensigns, we therefore desire as no Inconvenience occurs to us which can possibly result from such Appointment that M^r Nelson may be considered an Ensign from the first Day of June last and a Commission issue accordingly. We request the favor of you to forward the Commissions requested by our Letter of the 29th May last.

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Ordered That the western shore Treasurer pay to David Evans one hundred and ninety four pounds two shillings and six pence of the new Emission to be delivered over to George P. Keeports on Account.

That the said Treasurer pay to Allen Quynn four hundred and ninety five pounds due him per Account passed by the Dep^y Auditor.

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[Council to Capt. Gilbert Middleton.]

You will apply to Colonel Forrest for and take into your Char[g]e George Clarke of St. Mary's County mentioned in the enclosed Commitment and him safely conduct and deliver to the Sheriff of Baltimore County with the Commitment

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Ordered That the Armourer deliver to Martin Norris one hundred Cartridge Boxes and one rheim of Musket Cartridge paper to be delivered to Joseph Wilkinson Esquire Lieut^t of Calvert County for the use of the Militia of the said County.

That the Issuing Commissary deliver to the said Martin Norris ten bushels of Salt to be delivered over to Pat Sim Simth Esq^r Purchasing Commissary of Calvert County to be applied to procuring Provision purch^d by him and also to Capt. Thomas Mason of the 7th Regim^t fifteen and a half Gall^s of Rum and thirty two pounds of sugar due him for the year 1780.