

January 5 Hour afterwards Hunter and Shoemaker came to his House, and supped with him; that Hunter appeared drunk, and Shoemaker for the first Time discovered by his Conversation, that he was disaffected to the Government; that Shoemaker went the same Evening with Hunter to Hunter's House and, as this Deponent has been informed, remained there all Night, and went on Board early the next Morning, and was the same Day, taken Prisoner.

And this Deponent further says, that he knows nothing of Hunter's having been with the said Shoemaker before or since the said Time; that he has known Hunter many years; that Hunter is generally reported an honest man, and good Whig and that he believes him to be such. And further this Deponent says not.

And, on the said 5th of January, Captain Thomas Cleland made Oath before the Subscriber, that about the year 1777 he heard Hunter talk of his native Country Great—Britain and, from his Discourse, he seemed inclined in its Favour; that he has heard many People say, they suspected Hunter, whose Occupation is that of a Pilot, of giving Assistance and Intelligence to the Enemy, but never heard any Person charge him with a particular Fact of that Kind; that Hunter's general Reputation, in his own Neighbourhood, is that of an honest man; that he has heard, Hunter's sons are always ready to turn out upon Alarms of the Enemy, and that he has seen them on such Occasions. And further he says not

January 5 [Deposition of Gideon Ireland taken by A. C. Hanson]

On the 5th Day of January 1781 Gideon Ireland sworn on the Holy Evangel, and examined by the Subscriber touching a Charge exhibited against a certain David Hunter of giving Intelligence and Assistance to the Enemy says, that he lives within three or four miles of the Habitation of David Hunter, that in his Neighbourhood Hunter is generally reputed a Tory; but he never heard any particular Charge against him; that, on the contrary, Hunter has, at the Time of Alarms, expressed a Willingness that his Sons should turn out with the Militia, and that they have been with him, the said Gideon Ireland upon Duty, since the present Invasion of the Enemy by Ships of War; and further he says not.

January 5 [Dan^l Jenifer, Annapolis, to His Ex'cy Thomas Sim Lee, Esq.]

My feelings are so exceedingly hurt by the difficulties I have met with in passing my Accounts, that I am compelled to request the favor of your Ex'cy to appoint a new Comry of purchases for Charles County; who perhaps may give more Satisfaction than it has been in the power of your Ex'cy's most ob^t Serv^t

P. S. Your Ex'cy will be so obliging as to order the Bal. of the Cash, Bacon and Wheat into the hands of the new Commissary.