

an Opinion which prevails that the States will not have it in their Power to enable you to redeem them. We think if they were received in Payment of the Specie Tax, the Officers could dispose of them without Loss, and the Tax would be more productive, in Proportion to the Increase of the Means of paying it. We therefore propose, if it meets with your Concurrence, to direct the Collectors to receive, as Specie, not only the Notes already issued, but all that may be issued to the Officers of the Maryland Line. We are informed that Pennsylvania and some other States, have made Advances of two Months Pay to their Soldiers, and our Officers impute to this Discrimination, the general Discontents of our Privates, among whom, such Jealousies and uneasinesses prevail, that it has been with the utmost Difficulty that their ill Humour has been restrained from breaking out into the most dangerous Mutiny. Under these Circumstances we cannot help anxiously wishing that our Soldiers might be put in the same Situation with others, either by you or the State.

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[Council to His Ex^{cy} The President of Congress]

Ibid.

We have the Honor to enclose an Act, passed at the last Sitting of the General Assembly, authorizing the United States in Congress assembled to impose and levy a Duty of 5 per Cent on imported foreign Goods and Prizes and prize Goods, which we hope will be satisfactory.

[Council to Col^o Samuel Smith]

Ibid.

Not knowing whether the Chain of Expresses from Baltimore to Philadelphia is still kept up, we have enclosed some public Letters to your Care. If the Expresses are kept up, be pleased to deliver them to the Quartermaster and if not, we request you will be so obliging as to forward them by the first safe Hand to Philadelphia.

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Ordered That the western shore Treasurer pay to Capt Turpin two Pounds, twelve shillings and six Pence of the Bills emitted under the Act for the Emission of Bills of Credit &^{ca} due him per Acc^t passed.

That the said Treasurer pay to Joseph Dowson sixty Pounds eight shillings and three Pence of the same Emission, thirty Pounds eleven shillings & 8^d for his own use & twenty nine Pounds sixteen shillings & seven pence to be paid over to Nicholas Valiant due them on Certificates issued by Henry Hollingsworth D. Q. M. Gen^l adjusted.

Commission of Letters of Marque & Reprisal issued to Thomas Moore Commander of the Ship York two hundred and seventy