

April 25^r Permit us Sir, to assure you we feel the most sensible Pleasure
 Liber No. 78 that a Cessation of Hostilities has taken place and we fervently pray
 p. 436 they may never again be renewed between the Citizens of America
 and Subjects of Great Britain

Ibid. [W^m Paca in Council to W^m Barrow Esq^r Surveyor of
 p. 437 Dor County

The Examiner General being absent, not to return, as we understand, for some considerable time—We are induced by the reasons contained in your Letter to him of the 9th Ult^o to alter in the present instance only that part of our Instructions for the direction of Surveyors in their Office, of the 15th of April 1782 which relates to the Appointment of Assistants.—And instead of being governed by the 19th and 20th Articles of the said Instructions, We hereby Authorize you to appoint Matthew Smith your Assistant, who shall be invested with all the Power and Authority of an Assistant Surveyor, as if his Appointment, and the Approbation of it had been in the usual manner, he qualifying as directed in our said Instructions.—

Ibid. [W^m Paca Annapolis to His Excellency General Washington]

I have been honored with your Excellency's Favor of March, and am exceedingly obliged by your Excellencys attention to the Representation I made of the Enemies Depredations on the Citizens of this State. General Carleton has been so polite as to write to me two several Letters on the Subject and assured me that Measures would be taken for the prevention of the like Outrages: but the late general Cessation of Hostilities has rendered the Steps unnecessary, On which important Event I beg Leave to offer your Excellency my warmest Congratulations.

I return your Excellency Thanks for your Polite Congratulation on my Appointment to the Government of this State, and shall be happy if by any Exertions in my Department I shall be able to contribute to the general Interest and Welfare of the United States.—

With every Sentiment of Regard & Attachment &^{ca}

April 26
 Liber C. B.
 No. 24
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Saturday 26th April 1783.

Present, Jere. T. Chase, James Brice and John H Stone Esq^{rs}
 Ordered That the Issuing Commissary issue Rations to John Howard a Discharged soldier, keeping an Account as heretofore directed

Benjamin Stoddert Esquire attended.

Ordered that the western shore Treasurer pay to Edward Jackson nine pounds, thirteen shillings and four pence specie agreeable to the "Act to adjust the Debts due from this State" per Account passed.