

MARYLAND GAZETTE

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 1775.

Baltimore, June 17, 1775. be chartered to any part of Europe... Prince George's county, May 24, 1775...

10 EN POUNDS REWARD. away from the subscriber, living in Ke...

13 RICHARD GRAVES. Elizabeth his wife, and Elizabeth... against Thomas Williams, and...

IN CHANCERY. REAS the said Daniel Matzler, and Elizabeth his wife, and Elizabeth M'Manus, have...

13 FIFTY DOLLARS REWARD. For apprehending a Runaway. a mulatto slave, sometimes known by the...

13 THOMAS JONES. Frederick county, August 15, 1775. all whom it may concern. AS Sarah Helm, my wife, hath eloped...

2 EN. JOSEPH HELM. Frederick county, August 15, 1775. all whom it may concern. AS Sarah Helm, my wife, hath eloped...

Proceedings of the Convention, concluded.

T H A T all persons pay obedience to, and acquiesce in the determinations of such committees of observation and council of safety, and that no person whatsoever, other than the said committees and council, presume to inflict any punishment for such breaches or offences. And on the same day, or the next to which the said delegates are empowered to adjourn, the said electors also choose by ballot, five of the most discreet and sensible of such freemen as aforesaid, of their county, to be delegates for the same, in any provincial convention to be held for this province within one year, then next following, with full power and authority to such delegates, or any three or more of them, to appear and act for such county, in such convention; and to consent and agree to, and bind such county to perform and execute all such matters and things as such convention, or a majority of the counties of this province, shall determine to be necessary for the preservation of the liberties of America.

And in case any of the said delegates shall die, or refuse to act, the said committee of observation for the respective county, shall have power to appoint by ballot, one of the said committee to be a delegate for the said county, with the like power and authority, in the place of any such delegate, who shall die or refuse to act; provided that no such appointment shall be made, unless two third parts of such committee shall be present.

That each committee of observation shall as soon as conveniently may be, after their appointment, choose by ballot five of their members, to be a committee of correspondence for their county, for the said time of one year, with power to any two or more of them, to act as such.

That as the small-pox is now at Queen's town, and it will in all probability be dangerous to the inhabitants of Queen-Anne's county, to assemble there for electing the committee of observation and delegates for that county; the election of the committee of observation, and delegates for the said county, shall be held at the house of George Hanson, instead of the court-house of that county.

That for the ease and convenience of the people of Frederick county, there be three different places of election; that the said county be divided into three districts, to wit, upper, middle, and lower; the upper district to be bounded by the South mountain, and the lines of the county Westward of the South mountain: the middle district to be bounded from the mouth of Monocacy with Patowmack to the South mountain, with that mountain to the temporary line, with the lines of the county to the head waters of Patuxent, and with the lines of the lower district to Patowmack: the lower district to be bounded with Patowmack to the mouth of Monocacy, then with Monocacy to Bennett's creek, and with the creek to the head waters of Patuxent: that there be elected in the lower district one delegate, two persons to act as a committee of correspondence, and seventeen as a committee of observation; that in each of the other districts there be elected two delegates and eighteen persons to act as a committee of observation, and that three persons be elected in the middle district to act as a committee of correspondence. That the elections for the upper district, be held at Elizabeth town those for the middle district, at Frederick town; and those for the lower district, at Hungerford's; and that no person residing or voting in one, shall be admitted to vote in either of the other districts.

RESOLVED, that for encouraging the manufacture of salt-petre, a sum not exceeding one thousand pounds common money be advanced, on proper security, for erecting one or more salt-petre works, to be repaid in good merchantable salt-petre, at the rates herein after mentioned: and that for all good merchantable salt-petre, manufactured in this province, and delivered to the order of the council of safety, before the first day of October, 1776, there shall be allowed at the rate of half a dollar per pound, according to the resolves of the continental congress.

That a sum, not exceeding one thousand pounds common money, be appropriated for erecting and working a powder-mill on the account of this province; and that the said two sums of one thousand pounds each, be under the management of the council of safety.

RESOLVED, That the committee of observation in each county appoint one, or more, persons, or persons, in their respective county, to receive all sums of money, which shall be voluntarily given, to be applied towards the arming and defending this province, or towards erecting manufactories of any kind, or for the immediate relief of such of the inhabitants of this province as are, or may become ne-

cessitous, from the present general calamities; which persons shall give receipts for the money by them respectively received, and keep and return accounts thereof to the treasurer of their respective shore, specifying and distinguishing from whom the same shall have been received. And if any, what part thereof shall have been given for either of the said purposes, particularly: And the said money shall be paid to the said treasurer, and may be applied and laid out by the council of safety, or that part of it residing on each shore respectively, for the purposes before mentioned; having regard, in the application, to the intention of the donors, and promoting the subsistence of the necessitous, rather by erecting manufactories, and the employment of such as labour therein, or in work of any kind, than by immediate gifts; it being the opinion of this convention that such charities may be rendered much more extensively beneficial, by having the same placed under a general direction: And that the council of safety may also, on proper security and terms they approve of, advance a sum not exceeding one thousand pounds, common money, for erecting and carrying on one or more salt works in this province.

RESOLVED, That the committee of observation in each county as soon as may be, transmit to the branch of the council of safety for their respective shore, a particular account of all arms and ammunition purchased in their county, pursuant to the resolves of the convention in December last, and of all sums of money subscribed and actually paid in or contributed, and by whom, for the purchase of the said arms and ammunition; and that each branch of the council of safety order the treasurer of their shore to pay to such person as shall be appointed by each of the said committees on their respective shore the amount of the money so paid in, and actually expended in the purposes aforesaid, before the transmitting of such account, that the same, as well as all other money paid in, not expended as aforesaid, may be returned to the subscribers or contributors thereof.

RESOLVED, That the honourable Matthew Tilghman, and John Beale Berdley, Esquires, and Robert Goldborough, James Hollyday, Richard Lloyd, Edward Lloyd, Thomas Smyth, and Henry Hooper, Esquires, residents of the Eastern shore, and the honourable Daniel of St. Thomas Jenifer, Esq; and Thomas Johnson, jun. William Paca, Charles Carroll, barrister, Thomas Stone, Samuel Chafe, Robert Alexander, and Chales Carroll, of Carrollton, Esquires, residents of the Western shore, or any nine of them, be a council of safety for this province.

That every member of the council of safety, before he enters on the execution of his office, having subscribed the Association, take, before some justice of the peace, the following oath, to wit: You A. B. do swear, that any matter, or thing, which shall come to your knowledge, as a member of the council of safety, and which you shall know is, by a majority of the council, ordered to be kept secret, you will not divulge, unless in a convention of delegates, or to the members of the council of safety, or with the leave of the convention, or of a majority of the council of safety. So help you God. And that the clerk of the council of safety, or of either of the said branches thereof, shall, before he enters on the execution of his office, before some justice of the peace, take an oath in the same form; except, instead of the words, "as a member of the council of safety," inserting, "as clerk of the council of safety;" or, "as clerk of the Eastern or Western shore branch of the council of safety," as the case may be.

RESOLVED, that the resolution made by the convention of this province held at the city of Annapolis in December last, "That no person ought to kill lamb dropt before the first day of May yearly, or other sheep after the first day of January then next, under four years of age" be repealed, so far as it relates to the killing of lamb; but it is earnestly recommended, that the continental resolve respecting the killing of sheep be most strictly observed.

It appearing to this convention, that a person arrested by the sheriff of Baltimore county, and in his custody for debt, had been rescued by some disorderly people in that county, and that the riot had been suppressed, and the prisoner so rescued, had been restored to the custody of the said sheriff, by the intervention, and activity of captains Buchanan and Gift, and the companies under their command. And this convention being fully impressed with the necessity that the civil power in the ordinary administration of justice should be supported, it is RESOLVED, that this convention do highly approve of the conduct of the said captains and their compa-

\* See the Resolves relating to licensing Juries, &c. in No. 1562 of this Gazette.

nies, in the suppression of the said riot, and support of the civil authority, and that this resolve be communicated to the said captains, and their companies, by the delegates of Baltimore county in this convention.

ORDERED, that out of the public arms in the possession of colonels Joshua Beal, Richard Lloyd, Edward Lloyd, and Henry Hooper, a quantity of arms, with a proportion of lead and ammunition, sufficient for a company, be by them delivered to such captain of minute-men as the council of safety shall direct.

RESOLVED, that the late committee of observation for Cecil county be authorized to act as usual, until the second Tuesday of September next.

RESOLVED, that the honourable Matthew Tilghman, Esq; and Thomas Johnson, jun. Robert Goldborough, William Paca, Samuel Chafe, Thomas Stone and John Hall, Esqrs. or any three or more of them, be deputies to represent this province in continental congress, and that they, or any three or more of them have full and ample power to consent and agree to all measures which such congress shall deem necessary and effectual to obtain a redress of American grievances; and further we do authorize our said deputies to represent and act for this province in any continental congress, which may be held before the 25th day of March next.

ORDERED, That the treasurer of the western shore pay to Thomas Johnson, jun. Samuel Chafe, William Paca, John Hall and Thomas Stone, Esquires, or either of them, the sum of five hundred pounds common money, and that the treasurer of the eastern shore pay to the honourable Matthew Tilghman, and Robert Goldborough, Esqrs. or either of them, the sum of 200 pounds common money, to defray the expences of their deputation to the next continental congress.

RESOLVED, That the treasurer of the Western shore pay the delegates, who attended the late congress, the sum of one hundred and twenty-six pounds sixteen shillings and sixpence, common money, out of the bills of credit to be issued, being the balance of their actual expences; and that the several counties which have not already paid in their proportion of money, for support of said delegates, shall pay the same, as soon as may be, to said treasurer, for the use of the public.

RESOLVED, That there be a convention of delegates of this province, at Annapolis, on the third Tuesday of March next, or on such day before that time, as shall be appointed by the council of safety.

ORDERED, That a committee be appointed to report the expences attending the fitting of this convention, and that Mr. Chafe and Mr. Goldborough be a committee for that purpose: who report the expences as follows, to wit:

Table with 2 columns: Name and Amount. To Gabriel Duvall, for 20 days attendance as clerk, at 20s. common money per day: 20 0 0. To Robert Reynolds, for 20 days attendance as doorkeeper, at 10s. per day: 10 0 0. To Robert Reynolds, for candles and cleaning the room: 1 10 0. Total: 31 10 0.

ORDERED, That the treasurer of the Western shore pay the above sums.

Signed, by order of the convention, G. DUVALL, clerk.

CHARLES-TOWN, August 18.

Extract of a letter from a master of a vessel at Gibraltar, dated July 2d, to his owners here.

We have been under an apprehension here for some time past of being attacked by the Spaniards, who have a fleet of seven sail of the line, twelve frigates, 413 transports at Carthagea, with 33,000 troops ready to embark, and more daily arriving from the interior provinces, they have several vessels cruising without the straits's mouth, and search all English vessels they meet. One put in here whose hatches they broke open, and examined a bale of goods. There are likewise 6 or 8 sail of the line and several frigates at Cadiz, ready to put to sea at the shortest notice, supposed to be intended to join their grand armada, which they give out is designed against Algiers. The English letters are supposed to be stopped, none having been received these two last posts; and a letter from an English gentleman in pain tends to confirm our apprehensions. We have 3 men of war in the straits, the midway of 64 Admiral Mann, and the Zephyr sloop here. The Alarm frigate is stationed off Carthagea, to watch their motions. There are here 7 regiments consisting of upwards of 3000 men, and every thing is in the greatest readiness to give the don's a warm reception, should they fancy to pay us a visit.