

eral resolutions thereon, but not having had time to come to a conclusion, had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this convention will on Monday resolve itself into a committee of the whole to consider further of the same.

On motion of Mr. J. Hall, *Resolved*, That the council of safety be authorised and empowered to make out commissions for captain Thomas Watkins, and also for his first and second lieutenants and ensign, Levin Lawrence, Thomas Todd, and John Iiams, jun., as as captain, first, second, and third lieutenants of a company of matrosses to be stationed in the city of Annapolis, and that they or either of them have power to enlist all the men of said company that are willing to enlist as matrosses, and to discharge such of them as are not willing to enlist after the first of December, and enlist others, so that the said company may be completed to the number of ninety-two privates, besides commissioned and non-commissioned officers.

Convention adjourns till Monday morning, 9 o'clock.

MONDAY, October 28, 1776.

Convention met. All members present as on Saturday, except Mr. Ridgely, Mr. J. Smith, Mr. Bishop, and Mr. Kent. The proceedings of Saturday were read. Mr. Dent, Mr. Parnham, and Mr. S. Wright, appeared in the house. Mr. Lowes has leave of absence on account of sickness.

Mr. Sheredine brings in and delivers to Mr. President a report from the committee appointed to enquire how far the resolves of the last convention of the sixth of July for raising two companies of rifle-men, and four companies of Germans, have been complied with, and into the expenditure of the money advanced for the raising those companies, which was read in the words following, to wit:

"In obedience to the order of the honourable convention, the committee appointed to enquire how far the resolves of the convention of the sixth of July last for raising two companies of rifle men, and four companies of Germans, have been complied with, and into the expenditure of the the money advanced for raising those companies, beg leave to report, That the committee of observation for Harford, Baltimore, and Frederick counties, recommended officers for the several companies agreeable to the resolves of the said convention; that the rifle company and four companies of Germans for Frederick and Baltimore counties have some time since marched for their place of destination; that the company of rifle men for Harford county is not yet complete, having not more than fifty men.