

Mr. Contee brings in and delivers to Mr. President a report from the committee appointed to examine the several claims upon the treasury, which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

Adjourned till 3 o'clock.

POST MERIDIEM.

Convention met. Mr. Hawkins appeared in the house.

Mr. Earle brings in and delivers to Mr. President, a report from the committee appointed to receive all proposals relating to the establishment of manufactories of any kind within this province, which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

On motion, *Resolved*, That a committee be appointed to prepare a draught of instruction for the deputies representing this province in congress; and Mr. Hollyday, Mr. Carroll, barrister, Mr. J. Tilghman, Mr. Scott, and Mr. Rumsey were elected by ballot a committee for that purpose.

Mr. Dallam has leave of absence.

The order of the day for taking into consideration the state of the province being read, *Ordered*, That the same be referred for further consideration till to-morrow.

Convention adjourns till to-morrow morning half after 9 o'clock.

SATURDAY, December 30, 1775.

Convention met. All members present as on yesterday, except Mr. Dallam. The proceedings of yesterday were read. Mr. Clarke has leave of absence. The proceedings of the council of safety were read.

The order of the day for taking into consideration the state of the province being read, the convention resolved itself into a committee of the whole to consider of the same; Mr. Carroll in the chair.

After some time spent therein, Mr. President resumed the chair, and Mr. Carroll reported, that the committee according to order had under their consideration the state of the province, but not being able to go through the same, had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

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

Convention adjourns till to-morrow morning half after 9 o'clock.

MONDAY, January 1, 1776.

Convention met. All members present as on Saturday, except Mr. Clarke. The proceedings of Saturday were read. Mr. Bond appeared in the house.