

MONDAY, January 8, 1776.

Convention met. All members present as on Saturday, except Mr. J. A. Thomas, Mr. Thomas Wright, Mr. Sim, and Mr. Tyler. The proceedings of Saturday were read. Mr. Edward Lloyd, a member elected for Talbot county in the room of Francis Baker, and Mr. Thomas Ringgold, appointed a member for Kent county, in the room of Mr. Thomas Smyth, who refused to act, appeared and took their seats in the house. Mr. Sudler and Mr. Buchanan appeared in the house. Mr. William Adams has leave of absence.

Adjourned till 3 o'clock.

POST MERIDIEM.

Convention met. Mr. Tyler and Mr. Dallam appeared in the house.

The following persons were elected by ballot to the battalion in Talbot county, to wit :

Mr. Christopher Birkhead, colonel; Mr. Peregrine Tilghman, lieutenant-colonel; Mr. Jeremiah Banning, 1st major; Mr. Robert Lloyd Nicols, 2d; Mr. Nicholas Thomas, quarter-master.

On motion, *Resolved*, That the nomination of field officers for Dorchester county be postponed; and that the council of safety, hereafter to be appointed, be empowered to appoint them.

The following election by ballot for Caroline county was had :

*East battalion.* Mr. William Richardson, colonel; Mr. Henry Dickinson, lieutenant-colonel; Mr. William Whitely, 1st major; Mr. Matthew Driver, 2d; Mr. John White, quarter-master. *West battalion.* Mr. Philip Fiddeman, colonel; Mr. Benson Stainton, lieutenant-colonel; Mr. Richard Mason, 1st major; Mr. Henry Downes, 2d; Mr. Thomas Hardcastle, quarter-master.

The convention adjourns till to-morrow morning half after nine o'clock.

TUESDAY, January 9, 1776.

Convention met. All members present as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read.

The memorials of Patrick Hamilton, and John Archer and James Harris, relating to the establishment of linen and woollen manufactories, were read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

*Ordered*, That nine hundred copies of the proceedings relative to the manufacture of salt-petre be immediately printed.

On motion, *Resolved*, That a committee be appointed to prepare and report a scheme for the emission of bills of credit, to defray