

the bills of credit emitted by virtue of the resolves of the last convention, for the encouragement of manufactories within this province, and for other purposes resolved upon in convention, bills of credit of the denomination of dollars and parts of a dollar, to the amount of five hundred and thirty-five thousand one hundred and eleven dollars and one-ninth part of a dollar, be printed and struck with all convenient speed, under the care and direction of such persons as shall be appointed by the council of safety for that purpose, in manner and form following, to wit, "This bill of \_\_\_\_\_ shall entitle the bearer hereof to receive gold or silver, at the rate of four shillings and six-pence sterling per dollar for the said bill according to a resolve of the provincial convention of Maryland, held at the city of Annapolis, the 7th day of December, 1775."

That the plates for striking the said bills of credit, be procured to be cut in copper, by some skilful person in the city of Philadelphia, at the expense of this province, by the deputies of this province in congress, or some two of them, and shall have such devices and marks as the said deputies or such two of them shall direct, and the number and denomination of the said bills shall be the following and no other, to wit; sixteen thousand bills of eight dollars each, sixteen thousand bills of four dollars each, sixteen thousand bills of two dollars and two third parts of a dollar each, thirty-two thousand bills of two dollars each, thirty-two thousand bills of one dollar and one third part of a dollar each, thirty-two thousand bills of one dollar each, thirty-two thousand bills of two third parts of a dollar each, forty thousand bills of half dollar each, forty thousand bills of one third part of a dollar each, forty thousand bills of one sixth part of a dollar each, and forty thousand bills of one ninth part of a dollar each.

That the said deputies or any two of them also purchase and provide a sufficient quantity of proper paper, on which to print and strike the said bills of credit, and that they or some of them do as soon as conveniently may be, transmit the said plates and paper to the council of safety aforesaid, and that the said council of safety do forthwith cause the said bills of credit to be printed and struck, under the direction of two discreet and sober freemen of this province, to be by them appointed to that service, who shall be called supervisors.

That the said supervisors shall use the best of their care and diligence that the said bills, according to their respective denominations aforesaid, and according to the manner and form aforesaid, be forthwith printed and struck, and that the number of the denominations thereof be not exceeded, nor any clandestine or fraudu-