

being, a true, full and fair account, on oath, of all monies by them respectively laid out and expended by virtue of the said act of assembly, and to whom and for what the same shall have been paid and expended.

That the sum of money collected, or to be collected in said county, for the building of a prison and court-house in Harford county, &c. ought to be paid into the hands of the commissioners of Harford county aforesaid, and be by them put out on interest for the use of the same county, until the dispute in the same county relative to the place where said prison and court house, &c. shall be erected and built, be hereafter determined by the legislative authority for the time being.

All which is submitted to the consideration of the honourable house.

After consideration of the same, the question was put, That the house concur therewith? Resolved in the affirmative.

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

W E D N E S D A Y, January 17, 1776.

CONVENTION met. All members present as on yesterday, except Mr. J. Dashiell and Mr. Ware. The proceedings of yesterday were read.

On motion, RESOLVED, That the residue of the sum of money directed by act of assembly to be assessed and levied on the inhabitants of Harford county, for building the court-house, prison, &c. be, pursuant to said act, assessed and levied by the justices of said county on the inhabitants thereof; but if trade and commerce shall not be restored, so as to enable the people of said county to discharge the said tax, the legislative authority for the time being will suspend the payment of the same, or otherwise order therein, as to them shall seem expedient.

That the money already collected, or hereafter to be collected for the same, shall be paid into the hands of the commissioners of Harford county aforesaid, and be by them put out on interest for the use of said county, until the dispute therein, relative to the place where said court-house and prison shall be erected, be hereafter determined by the legislative authority for the time being.

ORDERED, That Edward Davis be discharged from further custody.

On motion, RESOLVED, That captain Thomas Johnson junior's and captain William Hyde's company of Militia, in the city of Annapolis, be independent companies, but subject to the same rules and regulations as the other militia of this province, where such rules and regulations will apply to their circumstances, as well when the said companies are in actual service, as otherwise; and that captains Richard Harwood junior's, William Brogden's, Edward Tillard's, John Weems's, John Steward's, John Deale's, and Richard Chew's, companies of militia, in Anne-Arundel county, compose a battalion, any thing in the resolves of the last Convention, or the proceedings of the committee of observation for Anne-Arundel county, to the contrary notwithstanding.

On motion, RESOLVED, That there be a district in Frederick county, bounded on the east by Licking-creek, to include all that part of the said county, which lies to the west of the said creek.

That the freemen, and others, entitled to vote for delegates in Convention, by the resolves of the last Convention, meet at Skipton, in the said district, on a day to be appointed, and chuse by ballot one discreet and sensible freeman of the said district, to join the other delegates from Frederick county, and vote in Conventions hereafter to be held for this province.