

also to summon the said Christopher Lowndes to appear before the said Committee, bringing with him all papers relative to the said vessels and in particular a Letter said to have been made to him by Henry Lloyd of Boston, concerning the same vessel; and pass judgment whether any collusion has been committed, or not: and if the said Committee shall adjudge that there has been any collusion, that in such case the person or persons guilty thereof be sent with the judgment and evidence to this Convention, or in their Receipt to the Council of safety, hereafter to be appointed. (113)

Signed by order of the Convention

Mat. Telford, Chairman.

On Motion, Resolved, That the value of £ 5900, common money be borrowed on the credit of this Convention to be laid out in the purchase of 48 Tons of Lead, One hundred pounds value in Gun. Flints, two Tons of Cannon powder, and the residue of the said sum in Musquetry powder, for the use of this Province, to be repaid out of the first Notes of Credit to be issued by this Convention.

Resolved, That Robert Townsend Hoar, Thomas Ringgold and James Lloyd Chamberlaine be a Committee to lay out the said Money.

Resolved, That the Lenders of the said Money, when the same shall be lent in Bills of Exchange, be paid by the Treasurer to be appointed, out of the Notes of Credit to be issued, at such Exchange, not less than at the rate of one hundred & fifty pounds, in Dollars, at seven Shillings and six pence each, for one hundred pounds Sterling, as shall be agreed on between the Lenders respectively and the said Treasurer.

And if they cannot agree on the Exchange, that then the Treasurer shall with the said Notes of Credit, purchase good London Bills of Exchange payable at same sight as expressed in the Receipts given to the respective Lenders, and pay the same to the Lenders, and that the public Treasurer endorse and be answerable, as behalf of the Province for the payment of such Bills of Exchange.

Resolved, That the Bills of Exchange borrowed for the purposes aforesaid, be drawn or endorsed payable to the said Robert Townsend Hoar, Thomas Ringgold and James Lloyd Chamberlaine, or some one of them, and that their or any of their Receipts for the Money or Bills so lent, shall be a sufficient Voucher for the Treasurers payment of the Money advanced.

Resolved, That the said Robert Townsend Hoar, Thomas Ringgold and James Lloyd Chamberlaine, be indemnified for their Endorsements of the said Bills of Exchange, as well as any loss they may sustain by negotiating the said Business with which they are entrusted, or any expense they may be at therein.

A Letter from the Virginia Convention with a Resolve of said Convention therein enclosed was read and ordered to lie on the Table. (114)

Ordered that the said Letter and Resolve be taken into Consideration early

Tomorrow morning.

Convention adjourns till Tomorrow morning 8 o'clock

Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> August.

Met according to adjournment.

John Steuart appeared for Caroline County.