

On reading and considering the petition of Conrard Theodore Wederstrandt, respecting an action commenced by him against Edward Meadows, Esq. commander of the Tartar man of war, in the provincial court, *Resolved*, That the said action, from the peculiar circumstances of the case, shall not abate by the death of either party, but that a trial of the same may be had, and judgment rendered, and all after process issue, as if both parties were living, without any regard to the death of either party: and if such death shall happen either before or after such trial, or judgment, or process, such death shall not be pleadable by the special bail in such action in discharge of himself.

Mr. Wootton brings in and delivers to Mr. President an ordinance for the division of Frederick county into three distinct and separate counties, which was read and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Jordan has leave of absence for a few days.

Convention adjourns till Monday, 3 o'clock in the afternoon.

#### MONDAY, September 2, 1776.

Convention met. All members present as on Saturday, except Mr. Horsey, Mr. Chamberlaine, Mr. D. Smith, Mr. Jordan, Mr. J. Smith, and Mr. Bowie. The proceedings of Saturday were read.

Mr. Dent appeared in the house. Mr. Turbutt Wright and Mr. James Kent, delegates returned for Queen Anne's county, and Mr. Thomas Smyth, a delegate returned for Kent county, appeared and took their seats in the house.

The committee of elections report to the convention, that by the return for Queen Anne's county, Turbutt Wright, James Kent, William Bruff, and Solomon Wright, Esquires, were duly elected delegates for said county.

Mr. Chase brings in and delivers to Mr. President a report from the committee appointed to examine the papers and depositions laid before the convention, relative to the conduct of Isaac Costin, which was read in the following words, to wit.

“By the committee appointed to examine the papers and depositions laid before this convention, relative to the conduct of Isaac Costin,

“Your committee beg leave to report, that they have examined the said papers and depositions, from which it appears, that about the middle of June last, Isaac Costin with many others went to their neighbours' houses, to inform them that Job Ingram and Barkley Townsend had come express from Lewistown, to let the people of Somerset county know that a large number of men were