

and twenty-five per month, and at the price aforesaid, and if it should be in his power to make more, that *he* ought to deliver and the public ought to receive them.

“Your committee beg leave further to report to your honorable house, that upon inquiry they find that the said Elisha Winters has delivered muskets over and above the quantity stipulated to be delivered to this time by his present subsisting contract with the public, and that the said contract ought not to be binding on the said Elisha Winters longer than the commencement of a contract that may be entered into in consequence of this report.

“And your committee are further of opinion, that such gun barrels as shall hereafter be furnished by Henry Hollingsworth of Cecil county, in consequence of his present or a future contract, ought to be delivered by him at his works to the said Elisha Winters, to be accounted for at the rate of twenty shillings common money per barrel.

“All which your committee beg leave to submit to the consideration of your honorable house.

“Signed per order of the committee,

JOHN JOHNSON, clerk.

Which was read, and thereupon the convention taking the same into consideration, the question was put, That the house concur therewith? Carried in the negative.

The committee of elections report to the convention, that by the return from Worcester county, Samuel Handy, Peter Chaille, Smith Bishop, and Josiah Mitchell, esquires, are duly elected delegates for said county.

On motion, *Resolved*, That the council of safety advance a month's pay to the officers and privates of captain Abraham Boyd's company.

A memorial of captain William Stone of Baltimore county, was read and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Handy has leave of absence.

Convention adjourns till to-morrow, 3 o'clock in the afternoon.

THURSDAY, September 5, 1776.

Convention met. All members present as on yesterday, except Mr. Handy. The proceedings of yesterday were read. Mr. Edmondson, Mr. Gibson, and Mr. Shriver, appeared in the house.

Mr. Sheredine brings in and delivers to Mr. President a report from the committee appointed to take into their consideration the letter from the secretary of the board of war, of the sixth of August last, which was read and ordered to lie on the table.