

PROCEEDINGS.

At a meeting of the COMMITTEES appointed by the several counties of the province of MARYLAND, at the city of Annapolis, the 22d day of June, 1774, and continued by adjournment from day to day, till the 25th day of the same month, Were present,

NINETY-TWO MEMBERS.

MATTHEW TILGHMAN, Esq; in the the Chair.

JOHN DUCKETT chose Clerk.

It being moved from the chair to ascertain the manner of dividing upon questions, it was agreed, that on any division each county have one vote, and that all questions be determined by a majority of counties.

The letter and vote of the town of Boston, several letters and papers from Philadelphia and Virginia, the act of parliament for blocking up the port and harbour of Boston, the bill depending in parliament subversive of the charter of Massachusetts bay, and that enabling the governor to send supposed offenders from thence to *another* colony, or *England*, for trial, were read, and after mature deliberation thereon,

I. *Resolved*, That the said act of parliament, and bills, if passed into acts, are cruel and oppressive invasions of the natural rights of the people of the Massachusetts bay as men, and of their constitutional rights as English subjects; and that the said act, if not repealed, and the said bills, if passed into acts, will lay a foundation for the utter destruction of *British* America, and therefore that the town of Boston and the province of Massachusetts, are now suffering in the common cause of America.

II. *Resolved*, That it is the duty of every colony in America to unite in the most speedy and effectual means to obtain a repeal of the said acts, and also of the said bills, if passed into acts.

III. *Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this committee, that if the colonies come into a joint resolution to stop all importations from, and exportations to, Great Britain, until the said acts, or bills, if passed into acts, be repealed, the same will be the most