

That for the ease and convenience of the people of Frederick county, there be three different places of election; that the said county be divided into three districts, to wit, upper, middle, and lower; the upper district to be bounded by the south mountain, and the lines of the county westward of the south mountain: the middle district to be bounded from the mouth of Monocacy with Potowmack to the south mountain, with that mountain to the temporary line, with the lines of the county to the head waters of Patuxent, and with the lines of the lower district to Potowmack; the lower district to be bounded with Potowmack to the mouth of Monocacy, then with Monocacy to Bennett's creek, and with the creek to the head waters of the Patuxent: that there be elected in the lower district one delegate, two persons to act as a committee of correspondence, and seventeen as a committee of observation: that in each of the other districts there be elected two delegates, and eighteen persons to act as a committee of observation, and that three persons be elected in the middle district to act as a committee of correspondence. That the elections for the upper district be held at Elizabethtown, those for the middle district at Fredericktown, and those for the lower district at Hungerford's; and that no person residing or voting in one shall be admitted to vote in either of the other districts.

*Resolved*, That for encouraging the manufacture of salt-petre, a sum not exceeding one thousand pounds common money be advanced, on proper security, for erecting one or more salt-petre works, to be repaid in good merchantable salt-petre at the rates herein after mentioned: and that for all good merchantable salt-petre manufactured in this province and delivered to the order of the council of safety, before the first day of October, 1776, there shall be allowed at the rate of half a dollar per pound, according to the resolves of the continental congress.

That a sum not exceeding one thousand pounds common money, be appropriated for erecting and working a powder mill on the account of this province; and that the said two sums of one thousand pounds each, be under the management of the council of safety.

*Resolved*, That the committee of observation in each county appoint one or more person or persons in their respective counties, to receive all sums of money, which shall be voluntarily given, to be applied towards the arming and defending this province, or towards erecting manufactories of any kind, or for the immediate relief of such of the inhabitants of this province as are or may become necessitous, from the present general calamities; which per-