

committees chosen in the several counties for that particular purpose.

The committee met at Annapolis, on the 22d June, 1774, and continued by adjournment from day to day, until the 25th of the same month, *Mathew Tilghman*, Esq. in the chair, and *John Dycket*, clerk.

*Resolved*, That ROBERT GOLDSBOROUGH, THOMAS JOHNSON, WILLIAM PACA, SAMUEL CHASE, MATHEW TILGHMAN, Esq. or any two or more of them, be deputies for this province, to attend a general congress of deputies from the colonies, at such time and place as may be agreed on, to effect one general plan of conduct, operating on the commercial connection of the colonies with the country, for the relief of Boston, and preservation of American liberty."

Such were the credentials of the deputation—from Maryland.

The committee of correspondence selected Philadelphia for the place, and the beginning of September, for the time of the meeting of this important council. On the fourth of that month, 1774, the session commenced. Their deliberation closed on the 26th of October, after proposing that another congress should meet on the succeeding 10th of May.

The principles avowed, the arguments used and measures adopted by this congress, have procured for them, the deserved appellation of

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