

# 6 PROCEEDINGS of the CONVENTION

ORDERED, That the clerk write to the several absent members, and require their immediate attendance here.

The Convention adjourns till to-morrow morning half after 9 o'clock.

FRIDAY, December 8, 1775.

CONVENTION met. All members present as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read. Mr. Richard T. Earle, a member for Queen-Anne's county, appeared and took his seat in the house.

Certificates of the qualification of the clerk, messenger, and door-keeper, were produced and filed.

A letter from Mr. John Hanson, jun. chairman of the committee of Frederick county, was read, together with several papers therein enclosed, relating to Allen Cameron, John Smith, and John Connelly, now in custody, by order of the said committee.

On motion, RESOLVED, That a sum not exceeding two hundred pounds currency, be appropriated for building a strong log gaol, in Frederick-town in Frederick county, at least thirty feet long and twenty in breadth, lined with two inch plank on end, of two stories, with split logs, and plank floors, the upper story to be divided into three rooms, with a stove in each room. And that a small house be built for the keeper, and occasionally for a guard, enclosing the door of the said gaol.

ORDERED, That the treasurer of the Western-shore pay the said sum of money, or any part thereof, to James Johnson and Thomas Beatty, or their order, and that the same, or such part thereof, as shall be necessary, be laid out by them in building the said gaol.

Adjourned till 3 o'clock.

P O S T M E R I D I E M.

Convention met.

ORDERED, That the messenger be directed to hire an express to dispatch letters to the several absent members.

The Convention adjourns till to-morrow morning half after 9 o'clock.

SATURDAY, December 9, 1775.

CONVENTION met. All members present as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read.

On motion, RESOLVED, That a committee be appointed to examine the several claims upon the treasury, and report the same to the Convention; and Mr. Contee, Mr. Sim, Mr. Earle, Mr. Hoge, Mr. Moale, and Mr. Tolley, were elected by ballot to be the said committee.

RESOLVED, That they, or any four of them, have power to act.

RESOLVED, That the several returns of subscriptions for arms and ammunition, within this province, be referred to the said committee.

Mr. Peter Waters, a member for Somerset county, appeared and took his seat in the house.

The house taking into their consideration, that this province, by means of the necessary attendance of some of its deputies now in Convention, is at present unrepresented in Congress, directed the President to know of Mr. John Hall, whether it was convenient for