

for him to attend in Congress; and Mr. Hall having signified that it was very inconvenient to him at this time, and that it was his wish, that some other gentleman might be appointed in his stead; and it being represented, that Mr. Robert Goldsborough, through long indisposition, is at present unable to attend that service, it is therefore **RESOLVED**, That, in the present critical and dangerous situation of the united Colonies, it is highly necessary that three deputies from this province do immediately attend in Congress, now sitting at Philadelphia; and that for this purpose, two gentlemen be now appointed, and added to the number of deputies already chosen; and Robert Alexander and John Rogers, Esquires, were elected by ballot.

RESOLVED, That Robert Alexander and John Rogers, Esquires, together with those already chosen, be deputies to represent this province in the Continental Congress; and that the said deputies, or any three, or more of them, have full and ample power to consent and agree to all measures, which such Congress shall deem necessary and effectual to obtain a redress of American grievances, and be authorized to represent and act for this province in any Continental Congress, which may be held before the twenty-fifth day of March next.

Adjourned till 3 o'clock.

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

Convention met. Mr. John Ennalls and Mr. James Murray, members for Dorchester county, Mr. William Adams and Mr. John Adams, members for Somerset county, and Mr. Aquila Hall, a member for Harford county, appeared and took their seats in the house.

On motion, **RESOLVED**, That the deputies from this province to the Continental Congress, be each allowed the sum of fifteen pounds common money per week, during their attendance in Congress.

Convention adjourns till Monday morning half after 9 o'clock.

M O N D A Y, December 11, 1775.

CONVENTION met. All members present as on Saturday except Mr. James Tilghman, Mr. Mackall, Mr. Smith, Mr. Sim, Mr. Contee, Mr. Rogers, Mr. Gilpin, and Mr. Monte. The proceedings of Saturday were read. Mr. Pollard Edmonson and Mr. James Lloyd Chamberlaine, members for Talbot county, appeared and took their seats in the house.

The proceedings of the Committee of Observation for Talbot county, relative to Mr. Francis Baker, a member returned for the said county, together with several Resolves of the Continental Congress, were read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

On motion, **RESOLVED**, That the parliamentary post be not permitted, or suffered to travel in or pass through this province, with any mail, packages or letters; and the several Committees of Observation are requested and directed to see this resolution strictly observed and executed.

ORDERED, That the above Resolve be published in the Maryland Gazette.

On Motion, **RESOLVED**, That every member of this Convention, consider himself under the ties of virtue, honour, and love of his country, not to divulge, directly or indirectly, any matter or thing agitated or debated in Convention, during the time of debate, or before the same shall be determined, which the mover thereof shall openly