

of the high court of chancery of England, although they were formerly under the government of Pennsylvania and the Three Lower Counties, are lately excluded therefrom, and are desirous of being under the government and protection of Maryland; therefore **RESOLVED**, That all the land on the south and west sides of the said lines be henceforth taken and accepted as within the jurisdiction of Maryland, and as part of the counties thereof adjoining thereto; and that the said inhabitants share equally in all burthens, privileges, and benefits, with others the people of this colony.

RESOLVED, That the said intended Convention shall not continue beyond the first day of December next.

RESOLVED, That all the civil officers in this colony, except those concerned in the customs, continue to execute their several offices until the next Convention shall make order therein, except only in such cases where they are restrained by the resolves of the Conventions held for this colony.

Whereas the sheriff of Baltimore county, by virtue of a writ of *habere facias possessionem*, delivered possession of certain lands and tenements recovered in the provincial court by Long's lessee against William Pellett and others, to a certain Robert Long, against the order and determination of the May Convention, **RESOLVED**, That the sheriff of said county deliver the said lands and tenements to the said William Pellett and others, or their agent, and cause as full and ample possession thereof, with all things thereto appertaining, to be to him or them restored as they had before the issuing the said writ.

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

T H U R S D A Y, July 4, 1776.

CONVENTION met. All members present as on yesterday, except Mr. Goldsborough, Mr. W. Ennalls, Mr. Potter, Mr. Dickinson, Mr. G. Dashiell, Mr. Waters, and Mr. Edmondson. The proceedings of yesterday were read.

On reading and considering the remonstrances and petitions of the fifth and twentieth battalions of militia in Queen-Anne's county, praying a removal of the field officers of said battalions, **RESOLVED**, That the same be rejected.

The Convention proceeded to ballot for deputies to represent this province in the Continental Congress, and the honourable Matthew Tilghman, Esquire, and Thomas Johnson, junior, William Paca, Samuel Chase, Thomas Stone, Charles Carroll, of Carrollton, and Robert Alexander, Esquires, were duly elected for that purpose.

RESOLVED, That the honourable Matthew Tilghman, Esq; and Thomas Johnson, junior, William Paca, Samuel Chase, Thomas Stone, Charles Carroll, of Carrollton, and Robert Alexander, Esquires, or a majority of them or of any three or more of them, be deputies to represent this colony in Congress, in as full and ample manner as the deputies of this colony might have done under any appointment heretofore made, until the next Convention shall make further order therein.

Thereupon the Convention considering that the said Thomas Johnson, Esq; cannot discharge the duty of brigadier of the forces to be raised in this province in consequence of the resolves of Congress of the 3d day of June last, to which command the Convention, from a confidence in his capacity and abilities to fill the same with advantage