

That the commissioners be furnished with money sufficient to advance the bounty of ten dollars aforesaid.

That the Council of Safety, in the recess of Convention, be empowered to issue warrants for the enlistment of such number of non-commissioned officers and privates, and also to appoint and commission such field and commission officers as may be necessary to make up the said eight battalions.

That the said commissioners, or any three or two of them, are empowered to receive of Congress any sum not exceeding thirty-six thousand one hundred and twenty pounds, in dollars at seven shillings and six-pence per dollar, on account of this state, to be applied in the said bounties.

That the commissioners be instructed to consult with, and take advice from, his excellency general Washington, respecting the promotion or appointment of officers in colonel Smallwood's regiment, and the appointments to be made in the battalion to be formed of the independent companies and flying camp of this state.

That the officers to whom warrants issued for the enrolment of non-commissioned officers and privates for the two last battalions directed by the Convention to be raised for the flying camp, immediately return lists of the men by them enrolled in pursuance of those warrants, to the Council of Safety, and forbear any further enrolment; that such of the companies as are full or nearly full be equipped and marched as soon as may be, and such of the companies as are not nearly full be discharged, and that the bounty money not expended be returned.

That the said commissioners be allowed each twelve pounds ten shillings common money per week from the time they leave home until their return.

The Convention then proceeded to elect the commissioners aforesaid, and James Lloyd Chamberlaine, Benjamin Rumsey, Thomas Contee, and John Hanton, jun. Esquires; were elected.

ORDERED, That the president prepare a letter to the president of Congress, and transmit a copy of the above resolutions therein.

The order of the day for taking into consideration the letter from the president of Congress of the second instant was read and referred till to-morrow.

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

T H U R S D A Y, October 10, 1776.

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

On motion of Mr. John Mackall, the question was put on the following, "As the people have a right and ought to know the conduct and behaviour of their representatives, RESOLVED, That on all questions to be determined in this Convention by a committee of the whole house, the yeas and nays shall be taken when called for by any member of the house and seconded, any custom or usage of parliament, assemblies, or former Conventions to the contrary notwithstanding," and carried in the negative.

A F F I R M A T I V E.

Mess. Fitzhugh, J. Mackall, Hammond, Fisher, Ridgely, Deye, Bond.

N E G A T I V E.

Messieurs	Barnes,	Sprigg,	Bayly,	J. Smith,	Brevard,	Edmondson,	Dickinson,
	Fenwick,	Marbury,	Williams,	J. T. Chafe,	T. Ringgold,	Gibson,	Johnson,
	Plater,	J. Hall,	Sheredine,	H. Wilson,	W. Ringgold,	Chamberlaine,	Gust. Scott,
	Hooe,	Worthington,	Edelen,	Love,	T. Smyth,	Murray,	Geo. Scott,
	Dent,	S. Chafe,	Schriver,	Archer,	T. Wright,	John Ennalls,	Horsley,
	Paruham,	Paca,	Beall,	Gilpin,	Kent,	Joseph Ennalls,	Lowes,
	Grahame,	Carroll,	Hughs,	Ewing,	S. Wright,	Potter,	Chaille,
	Bowie,	Wootton,	Stull,	D. Smith,	Bruff,	Mason,	Mitchell.
	B. Hall,	J. Wilson,	Stevenson,				

Agreeable to the order of the day the Convention resolved itself into a committee of the whole, to take into consideration the declaration and charter of rights, and form of government for this state; Mr. Worthington in the chair. After some time spent therein Mr. President resumed the chair, and Mr. Worthington reported,