

10 PROCEEDINGS of the CONVENTION

W E D N E S D A Y, August 21, 1776.

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

On motion, RESOLVED, That three persons be appointed a board to continue the books of accounts of the expenditure, loan, or disposition of all public monies, by or under the authority of the Convention, or Council of Safety, opened by the late board, with power to audit, examine and adjust all accounts and sums of money due from or to this state, and that they transmit the same, with the respective balances struck, to this Convention when sitting, and in their recess to the Council of Safety, for their examination and controul.

That the said commissioners, before they enter upon the execution of their trust, take an oath or affirmation, carefully and accurately to audit, examine and adjust all accounts and sums of money due from or to this state, and that they will not allow any claim against the public but what they in their judgment and conscience shall deem just and right; that they will keep just and true accounts, and will transmit the same, with the respective balances struck, to the Convention, or in their recess to the Council of Safety, for their examination and controul; and that the said commissioners will keep secret all such matters or things as come before them in the execution of their said trust, as they shall be enjoined to keep secret by the Convention or Council of Safety.

RESOLVED, That there be a clerk to the said board of commissioners, and that the said clerk be allowed ten shillings for every day he shall attend such service, and that he take an oath before he enters on the execution of his office, that he will faithfully and truly enter all accounts, and make all such entries as he shall be directed by the said commissioners, and shall also take the oath of secrecy as above directed to be taken by the commissioners.

RESOLVED, That Mr. John Davidson, Mr. Thomas Brooke Hodgkin, and Mr. William Wilkins, be appointed commissioners for the said board, that any two of them have power to act, and that each of them be allowed ten shillings per day for their trouble for every day they shall attend such service.

On motion, RESOLVED, That a committee be appointed to enquire how far the resolve of the last Convention of the 6th of July, for raising two companies of rifle-men and four companies of Germans, has been complied with, and into the expenditure of the money advanced for the raising those companies, and report the same to this Convention; and Mr. Ridgely, Mr. Love, Mr. Archer, Mr. Stull, and Mr. Sheredine, were elected by ballot a committee for that purpose.

Adjourned till 3 o'clock.

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

Convention met. Mr. Potter and Mr. Mason have leave of absence.

Mr. John Muir was appointed clerk to the board of accounts. Mr. H. Wilson has leave of absence.

The committee appointed to report on the establishment of manufactories bring in and deliver to Mr. President the following report:

“YOUR committee appointed to examine and price the linen brought in and delivered by John Archer and James Harris, do report, that they have brought in the following pieces, viz.

No. 1 containing 22 yards, at 4 s 3 d per yard.	No. 6 containing 52 yards, at 3 s 9 d per yard.
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4	45 ¹ / ₂	4 s 3 d	3	42 ¹ / ₂	3 s 3 d
2	52	3 s 9 d	5	55	3 s 3 d

All which is submitted to the honourable house.

“Signed per order of the committee,

JOHN JOHNSON, clerk.”

Which was read and ordered to lie on the table.

Convention adjourns till to-morrow 3 o'clock in the afternoon.

T H U R S D A Y, August 22, 1776.

CONVENTION met. All members present as on yesterday, except Mr. Potter, Mr. Mason, and Mr. H. Wilson. The proceedings of yesterday were read.

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