

PROCEEDINGS of the CONVENTION

sheriff of Frederick county, as well of the inhabitants of Frederick as of Washington and Montgomery counties aforesaid, and collected, accounted for, and applied, in such manner as the said public and county levy would have been collected, accounted for, and applied, had these resolves never been made.

RESOLVED, That the county court of Washington county shall begin and be held yearly on the fourth Tuesdays of those months in which other county courts are held, and shall have equal power and jurisdiction with any county court in this state.

RESOLVED, That the county court of Montgomery county shall begin and be held yearly on the second Tuesdays of those months in which other county courts are held, and shall have equal power and jurisdiction with any county court in this state.

Mr. Ridgely has leave of absence till Tuesday next.

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

SATURDAY, September 7, 1776.

CONVENTION met. All members present as on yesterday, except Mr. Joseph Ennalls and Mr. Ridgely. The proceedings of yesterday were read. Mr. Chamberlaine and Mr. Horsey appeared in the house.

On motion of Mr. Fitzhugh, that the question be put on the following:

Whereas it has been the uniform rule and practice of former Conventions of this state, to delegate members to general Congress from their own body, being the representatives of the people of this state; and as a departure therefrom may introduce and intrude on this community men unworthy of confidence into the most important and highest trusts, dangerous to the safety and welfare of America, especially at this critical conjuncture, That no person whatsoever, except a delegate of the people in Convention, be chosen or qualified to serve this state as a member of the general Congress? The previous question was called for and put, whether the above question be now put? Carried in the negative.

N E G A T I V E.				
Messieurs Barnes, Hooe, Dent, Semmes, Parnham, Bowie, Hall, Sprigg, Marbury, Paca,	Messieurs Carroll, Wootton, J. Wilson, Bayly, Sheredine, Edelen, Schriver, Beall, Hughs, Stull,	Messieurs Schnebely, T. Smyth, Chafe, H. Wilson, Gilpin, Ewing, T. Ringgold, W. Ringgold, Earle,	Messieurs J. Smith, T. Wright, Kent, Edmondson, Gibson, Chamberlaine, Goldborough, Murray, John Ennalls,	Messieurs Potter, Mason, Johnson, Gus. Scott, Geo. Scott, Horsey, Lowe, Chaille, Mitchell.
A F F I R M A T I V E.				
Mess. Plater, Fitzhugh, J. Mackall,	Mess. Hammond, Williams, Deye,	Mess. Stevenson, Bond,	Mess. Love, Archer,	Mess. Brevard, S. Wright

Mr. Stevenson and Mr. T. Smyth have leave of absence till Tuesday next, and Mr. W. Ringgold till Monday next.

On motion of Mr. Paca, the question was put, That Thomas Stone, Esq; be and is hereby empowered to represent this state in Congress, in as full and ample manner as the delegates heretofore appointed might or could do, until the said delegates or any two or more of them shall attend, or this Convention make further order therein? Carried in the negative.

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Messieurs Barnes, Plater, Hooe, Dent, Semmes, Parnham, Fitzhugh,	Messieurs J. Mackall, Bowie, Hall, Sprigg, Marbury, Hammond,	Messieurs Wootton, Bayly, Williams, Sheredine, Hughs, Schriver,	Messieurs Schnebely, Deye, J. Smith, Chafe, Bond, Love,	Messieurs Archer, Gilpin, Brevard, Kent, S. Wright, Edmondson.
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