

PROCEEDINGS of the CONVENTION

N E G O T I A T I V E

Meis. Barnes,
Plater,
Grahame,

Fitzhugh,
J. Hall,
Worthington,

S. Chase,
Carroll,
T. Wright,

Kent,
Potter,
Mason,

Johnson,
Gust. Sc. tt.

Geo. Scott,
Lowes,

Chaille,
Mitchell.

Agreeable to the order of the day, the Convention resolved itself into a committee of the whole, to consider of the declaration of rights, and form of government for this state; Mr. T. Wright in the chair. After some time spent therein, Mr. President resumed the chair, and Mr. T. Wright reported, that the committee had, according to order, taken into their consideration the declaration of rights, and form of government for this state, and had come to several resolutions thereon, but not having had time to come to a conclusion, had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

RESOLVED, That this Convention will to-morrow morning resolve itself into a committee of the whole, to consider further of the same.

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

T U E S D A Y, October 15, 1776.

CONVENTION met. All members present as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read. Mr. Paca, Mr. Shepherd, and Mr. W. Ringold, appeared in the house.

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RESOLVED, That this Convention will to-morrow morning resolve itself into a committee of the whole, to consider further of the same.

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

W E D N E S D A Y, October 16, 1776.

CONVENTION met. All members present as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read. Mr. Bowie appeared in the house.

On motion of Mr. Johnson, **RESOLVED**, That the commissioners of the loan office put no bonds in that office in suit before the first day of January next, because of the non-payment of interest thereon, and that they advertise in the Maryland gazette, and Goddard's and Dunlap's papers printed in Baltimore town, that no further indulgence will be given.

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RESOLVED, That this Convention will in the afternoon resolve itself into a committee of the whole, to consider further of the same.

RESOLVED, That the Council of Safety be empowered to draw for a sum not exceeding fifteen thousand pounds of the bills of credit now remaining in the hands of the treasurers, appropriated for calling in and exchanging the bills of credit issued by the Convention in July seventeen hundred and seventy-five, and that they apply the same or any part thereof to the use of the public as occasion may require, and that this Convention will make such provision for calling in and exchanging the said former emission as may be necessary.

Adjourned till 3 o'clock.

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

Convention met. Mr. Edmondson and Mr. T. Smyth appeared in the house.

A petition from Basil Clarkson, praying to be released from Anne-Arundel county gaol, was read and ordered to lie on the table. On