

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> January 1784

Present The Honble John Davidson & Charles Wallace Esquires  
adjourned till tomorrow morning 11 O'Clock.

Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> January 1784

The Council met

Present His Excellency William Paca Esquire Governor

The Honble John Duwall, John H. Stone, John Davidson & Charles Wallace Esqrs

The Council agreeably to the order of Friday last took into Consideration the appointment of a Judge of the General Court in the room of the late Honble Nicholas Roman Esquire when Robert Goldborough Junr Esq<sup>r</sup> was unanimously appointed, and Commission issued to the Honble Robert Hanson Harrison Alexander Hanson and Robert Goldborough Esquires Judges of the General Court. —

In obedience to the Recommendation of Congress the following Proclamation issued

In Council 20<sup>th</sup> January 1784.

By his Excellency William Paca Esq<sup>r</sup> Governor of Maryland  
A Proclamation

Whereas Definitive articles of Peace and Friendship between the United States of America and his Britannic Majesty were concluded and signed at Paris on the third Day of September 1783, by the Plenipotentiaries of the said United States and of his said Britannic Majesty, duly and respectively authorized for that purpose: which Definitive Articles are in the words following:

In the name of the most holy and undivided Trinity.

It having pleased the Divine Providence to dispose the Hearts of the most serene and most potent Prince George the third, by the Grace of God King of Great Britain, France and Ireland, Defender of the faith, Duke of Brunswick and Lunenburg, arch-Treasurer and Prince elector of the holy Roman Empire, &c and of the United States of America, to forget all past misunderstandings and differences that have unhappily interrupted the good Correspondence and Friendship which they mutually wish to restore; and to establish such a Beneficial and satisfactory intercourse between the two Countries upon the ground of reciprocal advantages, and mutual conveniences, as may promote and secure to both perpetual Peace and Harmony, and having for this desirable end already laid the foundation of Peace and reconciliation, by the Provisional Articles signed at Paris on the 30<sup>th</sup> of November 1782, by the Commissioners empowered on each part, which Articles were agreed to be inserted in and to constitute the Treaty of Peace proposed to be concluded between the Crown of Great Britain and the said United States but which Treaty was not to be concluded until Terms of Peace should be agreed upon between Great Britain and France, and his Britannic Majesty should be ready to conclude such Treaty accordingly; and the Treaty between Great Britain and France having since been concluded his Britannic Majesty and The United States