

Common money per Hundred. Resolved, that on the delivery of 200 Barrels of good Gunpowder, or any less quantity, by the said William Neale, he be paid therefor at the said rate out of the Bills of Credit to be issued by this Convention: And further that if the said William Neale will import and deliver good and substantial Musquets, Bayonets & accoutrements, for arming any number, not exceeding five Hundred Soldiers, then on the delivery of them he shall be paid a generous price therefor, out of the said Bills of Credit.

Resolved that this Convention will replace any arms, powder or lead that may be delivered to the order of Mess^{rs} Samuel Purviance Junior, William Smith and David Stewart, or any two of them, by the people of Bermuda; or will pay the just and full value thereof at farthest, as soon as America shall be in a settled State. Resolved, That if any persons will lend and advance to the Public any sums of money not exceeding in the whole four thousand pounds common money, and will pay the same into the hands of Mess^{rs} Purviance, Smith & Stewart, to be by them laid out in the purchase and importation of Gunpowder and good substantial Musquets, Bayonets, and accoutrements for soldiers for the use of this Province, the Lenders shall be repaid their money, out of the Bills of Credit to be issued, or if Bills of Exchange shall be lent, then the same shall be repaid in the same manner as the other loans of Bills of Exchange to this Convention.

The Petition of Richard Henderson of Bladenburgh was read the first time and ordered to lie on the Table. (N^o 8)

Turbutt Wright and Walter Telly have leave of absence.

On reading and considering the Petition of Richard Henderson of Bladenburgh, setting forth his apprehensions, that some people of the neighbourhood of that place, if not advised to the contrary by this Convention may do violence to his person or property, on account of his becoming security for the appearance of George Munro, or who hath absconded. It is Resolved, to be the sense of this Convention, that all persons refrain from all manner of violence to the said Richard Henderson and his property, on the occasion before mentioned; and that the Committee of Observation for Prince Georges County are hereby empowered to determine and certify to this Convention, whether the said Richard Henderson did collude with, or in any manner promote the said George Munro in his said Escape; or which this Convention will take order therein. And this Convention strongly impressed with an idea of the confusion and disorder which must inevitably ensue, and the disunion which must necessarily follow, from the people at large being collected and inflicting punishments before a cool and temperate investigation of the case, and consequently the injury which may be thereby done to the common cause of Liberty, confide, that the virtue of the people, and their attachment to the liberties of America, will guard them against a commission of the Evils apprehended.

Convention adjourns till tomorrow morning 8 o'clock

Saturday 5th August

Met according to adjournment.