

shall be admitted to vote in either of the other districts.

Resolved, That for encouraging the manufacture of Salt-petre, a sum not exceeding one thousand pounds common money be advanced, on proper security, for erecting one or more Salt-petre works to be repaid in good merchantable Salt-petre at the Rate herein after mentioned; and that for all good merchantable Salt-petre manufactured in this Province and delivered to the order of the Council of Safety, before the first day of October 1776, there shall be allowed at the Rate of half a Dollar per pound according to the Resolves of the Continental Congress.

That a sum not exceeding one thousand pounds common money, be appropriated for erecting and making a powder Mill on the account of this Province, and that the said two sums of one thousand pounds each, be under the management of the Council of Safety.

Resolved, That the Committee of Observation in each County, appoint one or more persons, or persons, in their respective County, to receive all sums of money, which shall be voluntarily given, to be applied towards the arming and defending this Province, or towards erecting Manufactories of any kind, or for the immediate relief of such of the inhabitants of this Province, as are or may become necessitous, from the present general Calamities; which persons shall give Receipts for the money by them respectively received, and keep and return accounts thereof, to the Treasurers of their respective Shores, specifying and distinguishing from whom the same shall have been received, and if any, what part thereof shall have been given for either of the said purposes, particularly; and the said Money shall be paid to the said Treasurers, and may be applied and laid out by the Council of Safety or that part of it residing on each Shore respectively for the purposes before mentioned, having regard in the application, to the intention of the Donors, and promoting the subsistence of the necessitous, either by erecting Manufactories, and the Employment of such as labour therein, or in work of any kind, than by immediate Gifts, it being the opinion of this Convention, that such Charities may be rendered much more extensively beneficial, by having the same placed under a General direction -

Resolved, That the Council of Safety contract for, purchase and provide 5000 Stand of Arms, including those ordered and contracted for by this Convention, giving a preference as far as they can to those manufactured in the Country, and also purchase and provide some small brass field pieces, and Carriages therefor.

And that the Council of Safety may also on proper security, and terms they approve of, advance a sum not exceeding one thousand pounds common money, for erecting and carrying on one or more Salt Works in this Province.

Resolved, That the Committee of Observation in each County, as soon as may be, transmit to the Branch of the Council of Safety for their respective Shores, a particular account of all arms and Ammunition purchased in their County pursuant to the Resolves of the Convention in December last, and of all sums of money subscribed and actually paid in or contributed, and by whom for the