

vention; that he proceed to disarm all such persons in that County as shall, from good grounds, appear to such Committee to be disaffected, and to take into custody all such disaffected persons as shall be ordered by the said Committee.

*Resolved*, That *George Plater* and *John Hall*, Esquires, be a Committee, and repair as soon as may be to *Somerset County*, and there take such measures as may unite that County with the other Counties of this Province; that they direct all persons who shall, on good grounds, appear to them to be disaffected, to be disarmed, and any disaffected persons to be taken into custody and sent to the Council of Safety, as they may think proper; that they have powers to make such regulations and orders as may, in their judgment, best secure obedience to the Resolves of the Convention, and peace and good order in that County; that *Major Price*, the Independent Companies, and the Militia, be subject to the control and orders of the said Committee, and that they report their proceedings to the next Convention.

On reading a Letter from Captain *James Hindman*,

*Ordered*, That *James Dickinson*, *William Thomas*, *John Stevens*, and *Nicholas Martin*, appear before this Convention on *Tuesday* next, to answer for their conduct in carrying live Stock on board the *Fowey*.

Adjourned till three o'clock.

*Post Meridiem.* Convention met.

A Memorial from the Council of Safety was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

*Mr. Gantt* has leave of absence until *Monday* next.

*Resolved*, *unanimously*, That the instructions given by the Convention of *December* last (and renewed by the Convention in *May*) to the Deputies of this Colony in Congress, be recalled, and the restrictions therein contained removed; that the Deputies of this Colony attending in Congress, or a majority of them, or any three or more of them, be authorized and empowered to concur with the other United Colonies, or a majority of them, in declaring the United Colonies free and independent States—in forming such further compact and confederation between them—in making foreign alliances—and in adopting such other measures as shall be adjudged necessary for securing the liberties of *America*; and this Colony will hold itself bound by the Resolutions of a majority of the United Colonies in the premises: *Provided*, The sole and exclusive right of regulating the internal Government and Police of this Colony be reserved to the people thereof.

*Mr. Sluby* appeared in the House.

The Convention adjourns till to-morrow morning, nine o'clock.

Saturday, June 29, 1776.

Convention met. All Members present as on yesterday, except *Mr. Gantt*. The Proceedings of yesterday were read.

On motion, *Resolved*, That the Bills of Credit issued by the Congress, and the Conventions of this Province, be received by the Commissioners of the Loan Office in payment of any interest due to the said Office.

*Ordered*, That the above Resolution be published in the *Maryland Gazette*.

The Convention resumed the election of Officers. *Mr. William Hyde* was elected Lieutenant-Colonel of the upper Battalion on the *Western-Shore*, and *Dr. John Cradock* Major.

For the Company to be raised in *St. Mary's County*, *Uriah Forrest* was appointed Captain, *William Bond* First Lieutenant, *Moses Tabbs* Second Lieutenant, and *Edward Mattingly* Ensign.

For the Companies in *Charles County*. *Thomas Hanson* Captain, *George Dent* (third) First Lieutenant, *Samuel Jones* Second Lieutenant, and *William Adams* Ensign. *Belain Posey* Captain, *Henry Boarman* First Lieutenant, *John Forbes* Second Lieutenant, and *Gerard Fowke* Ensign.

*Calvert*. *John Brooke* Captain, *Frederick Skinner* First Lieutenant, *Nathaniel Wilson* Second Lieutenant, and *James Somerville* Ensign.

*Prince George's*. *John Hawkins Lowe* Captain, *John Magruder Burgess* First Lieutenant, *William Duwall*, Se-

cond Lieutenant, and *Horatio Claggett* Ensign. *Robert Bowie* Captain, *Benjamin Brooks* First Lieutenant, *William Dent Beall* Second Lieutenant, and *Colmore Beans*, Ensign. *Alexander Howard Magruder* Captain, *William Sprigg Bowie* First Lieutenant, *Benjamin Contee* Second Lieutenant, and *Alexander Truman* Ensign.

*Anne Arundel County*. *Edward Norwood* Captain, *Samuel Godman* First Lieutenant, *John W. Dorsey* Second Lieutenant, and *Richard Talbot* Ensign. *Edward Tillard* Captain, *Samuel Lloyd Chew* First Lieutenant, *John Sprigg Belt* Second Lieutenant, and *John Gassaway* Ensign. *Daniel Dorsey* Captain, *Joseph Burgess* First Lieutenant, *John Lorah* Second Lieutenant, and *Michael Burgess* Ensign. *James Disney* Captain, *Henry Ridgely* First Lieutenant, *Jonathan Sellman* Second Lieutenant, and *Edward Spurrier* Ensign. *Thomas Hammond* Captain, *Thomas Mayo* First Lieutenant, *Joshua Merriken* Second Lieutenant, and *Andrew Hammond* Ensign.

*Frederick. Lower District*. *Edward Burgess* Captain, *John Gaither* First Lieutenant, *Thaddeus Beall* Second Lieutenant, and *Thomas Edmondson* Ensign. *Leonard Deakins* Captain, *Thomas Nowland* First Lieutenant, *Elisha Williams* Second Lieutenant, and *John Griffith* Ensign. *Benjamin Spyker* Captain, *Greenbury Gaither* First Lieutenant, *Richard Anderson* Second Lieutenant, and *Nicholas Seybert* Ensign.

*Middle District*. *Philip Meroney* Captain, *Elisha Beall* First Lieutenant, *John Hellen* Second Lieutenant, and *William Beatty, Jun.*, Ensign. *Jacob Good* Captain, *John Baptist Thompson* First Lieutenant, *John Ghiselin* Second Lieutenant, and *John Smith* Ensign. *Peter Mantz* Captain, *Adam Grosh* First Lieutenant, *Peter Adams* Second Lieutenant, and *John Richardson* Ensign.

*Upper District*. *Aeneas Campbell* Captain, *Clement Hollyday* First Lieutenant, *John Courts Jones* Second Lieutenant, and *David Lynn* Ensign. *John Reynolds* Captain, *Moses Chapline* First Lieutenant, *Christian Orendorff* Second Lieutenant, and *Nathan Williams* Ensign. *Henry Hardman* Captain, *Daniel Stull* First Lieutenant, *Peter Contee Hanson* Second Lieutenant, and *John Rench* Ensign.

*Baltimore*. *Zachariah Maccubbin* Captain, *Thomas Yates* First Lieutenant, *John Christie* Second Lieutenant, and *Thomas Lingan* Ensign. *John E. Howard* Captain, *Thomas Lansdale* First Lieutenant, *William Riley* Second Lieutenant, and *Robert Morrow* Ensign. *John Stevenson* Captain, *Edward Oldham* First Lieutenant, *James Ogleby* Second Lieutenant, and *Joseph Lewis* Ensign. *James Young* Captain, *James Bond* First Lieutenant, *John Smith* Second Lieutenant, and *James Tool* Ensign.

*Harford*. *Aquila Paca* Captain, *John Beedle Hall* First Lieutenant, *Michael Gilbert* Second Lieutenant, and *John Patterson* Ensign. *Bennet Bussey* Captain, *Joshua Miles* First Lieutenant, *Asahel Hitchcock* Second Lieutenant, and *Aquila Amos* Ensign.

*Cecil*. *Joshua George* Captain, *William Veazey*, (third,) First Lieutenant, *John Stockton* Second Lieutenant, and *Richard Bird* Ensign. *Walter Alexander* Captain, *Andrew Porter, Jun.*, First Lieutenant, *Harman Arrants* Second Lieutenant, and *George Hamilton* Ensign.

*Kent*. *Isaac Perkins* Captain, *Abraham Falconer* First Lieutenant, *Jesse Cozden* Second Lieutenant, and *James Henry* Ensign. *Thomas Smyth* Captain, *James Williamson* First Lieutenant, *Nathaniel Kinnard* Second Lieutenant, and *Josiah Johnson* Ensign.

*Queen Anne's*. *John Dean* Captain, *John Hawkins* First Lieutenant, *John Neville* Second Lieutenant, and *Samuel Earle* Ensign. *John Dames* Captain, *Thomas Lane Emory* First Lieutenant, *Samuel Wright Thomas* Second Lieutenant, and *John Jackson* Ensign.

*Talbot*. *Greenbury Goldsborough* Captain, *Woolman Gibson* (son of *John*) First Lieutenant, *John Thomas, Jun.*, Second Lieutenant, and *Perry Benson* of (*James*) Ensign.

*Caroline*. *Zabdiel Potter* Captain, *Thomas Wyer Lockerman* First Lieutenant, *Levin Handy* Second Lieutenant, and *Philip Casson* Ensign. *Philip Fiddeman* Captain, *Henry Downes, Jun.*, First Lieutenant, *John Reynolds* Second Lieutenant, and *Thomas Mason* Ensign.

*Dorchester*. *Thomas Burk* Captain, *Berkit Falcon* First Lieutenant, *John Lynch* Second Lieutenant, and *James Woolford Gray* Third Lieutenant.