

At a meeting of the DEPUTIES appointed by the several counties of the province of MARYLAND, at the city of Annapolis, on Monday the 24th of April, 1775, and continued by adjournment from day to day, till the third of May, were present,

ONE HUNDRED MEMBERS.

The hon. MATTHEW TILGHMAN, Esq. in the Chair.

GABRIEL DUVALL, appointed Clerk.

*Resolved unanimously*, That his Majesty King George the third is lawful and rightful King of Great Britian, and that the dominions thereunto belonging, and that the good people of this province do owe, and will bear faith and true allegiance to our said lawful and rightful King, as the sovereign, constitutional guardian, and protector, of the rights of all his subjects.

On motion, That a committee be appointed to prepare a draft of a letter to the committee of correspondence for Philadelphia, acquainting them that this convention had received from gentlemen of their committee, an *Extract of a letter from New York*, communicating the very interesting and important intelligence, that a number of troops were ordered for that city, which was to be the place of arms, and fortified; that all communication between that city and the southern and eastern provinces was to be cut off; that the people of that colony were concerting means to prevent such scheme, were embodying themselves, and desired the immediate assistance of the southward colonies, before the arrival of the troops; that this convention were greatly alarmed and deeply concerned for that colony, and therefore desired to be acquainted with the authenticity of that account, and the particulars thereof; and that the committee of Philadelphia would give this convention as full and particular accounts of the state of the colony of New York, and of their own province, as they possibly can; what conduct, it is expected, will be adopted by their colony, and of all other matters which they may think of consequence to the general welfare of America. The previous question was moved for and put, whether the above question be now put? And resolved in the affirmative.

The above question was then put, and resolved in the affirmative.

The following letter was accordingly sent to the committee for the city and liberties of Philadelphia :