

convention, it is *Resolved*, That the examination of such accounts lay over to the next session of convention, and that the supervisors be, and they are hereby directed to lay a full state of their accounts, and the success of the works under their care, before this convention at their next sitting.

The convention took into their consideration a report from the committee appointed to receive proposals relative to the establishment of manufactories within this province, and thereupon *Resolved*, That the sum of three hundred pounds common money, without interest till the first day of May next, be advanced to Alexander M'Fadon, of Georgetown, in Frederick county, he giving bond with good security, to make a return or payment thereof in good linen, of such quality as this or a future convention, or in their recess, the council of safety of this province shall and may order and direct, in the proportions and at the times following, to wit: one third part thereof on or before the first day of November next, and the remainder on or before the first day of May ensuing, at such rates and prices as may be allowed by the said convention, or the council of safety, in the recess thereof.

*Resolved*, That the council of safety of this province be empowered to advance to Edward Parker of Cecil county, any sum of money not exceeding three hundred pounds common money, on his complying with his former contract, on the terms and conditions, and for the purposes in his said former contract mentioned, so long and as often as the said council of safety shall conceive the public exigencies shall require the same.

On reading a second time the report from the committee appointed to devise ways and means for the establishment of a paper manufactory, the convention took the same into consideration, and thereupon, *Resolved*, That the sum of four hundred pounds common money, be advanced to James Dorsett of Baltimore county, he giving bond with sufficient security, to repay the same within two years without interest, either in cash, or writing or cartridge paper, or in such proportions of each as this or a future convention, or council of safety in their recess, shall direct and order, that is to say, one third part thereof within twelve months, and the other two-thirds within two years from the date of said bond; he at the same time engaging to build a mill for that purpose within six months from the date of his said contract, and to sell to the inhabitants of this province any kind of paper which he may make, as cheap as the same can or shall be sold at any mill in the province of Pennsylvania.

Edward Lloyd of Talbot county, Barnaby Egan and Basil Brooke, jun., of Calvert county, William Farris and John Brewer of Anne