

their opinion thereon, and Mr. T. Johnson, Mr. Hollyday, Mr. S. Chase, Mr. Goldsborough, and Mr. Plater, were elected by ballot a committee for that purpose.

A memorial from John Weston of Baltimore county was read and ordered to lie on the table.

On motion, *Resolved*, That the president of the convention inform the deputies of this province in congress, that their attendance in convention is desired; and that they move congress for permission to attend here, but that they do not leave the congress without such permission, and without first having obtained an order that the consideration of the questions of independence, foreign alliance, and a further confederation of the colonies shall be postponed until deputies from this province can attend congress, which shall be as soon as possible.

Adjourned till 4 o'clock.

#### POST MERIDIEM.

Convention met. Mr. Veazey, Mr. Gilpin, Mr. Ewing, Mr. Thompson, Mr. Beall, Mr. Lloyd, and Mr. Jordan, appeared in the house.

A petition from William Hindman, treasurer of the eastern shore, was read and ordered to lie on the table.

A petition from Barton Tabbs, of Calvert county, praying an exemption from mustering, which was read a first and second time: *Resolved*, That the same be rejected.

On reading a second time the petition from William Hindman, treasurer of the eastern shore, *Resolved*, That Alexander Irvine, and Charles Irvine of Talbot county, be added to the signers of bills of credit.

Convention adjourns till to-morrow morning, 9 o'clock.

#### SATURDAY, June 22, 1776.

Convention met. All members present as on yesterday, except Mr. Sluby. The proceedings of yesterday were read. Mr. Ringgold appeared in the house.

A petition from Michael Cocendofer of Frederick county, for three hundred pounds, to enable him to carry on a stocking manufactory, was read and ordered to lie on the table.

Convention adjourns till Monday morning, 9 o'clock.

#### MONDAY, June 24, 1776.

Convention met. All members present as on Saturday. The proceedings of Saturday were read. Mr. Tolley, Mr. Love, Mr.