

ed by the non-importation, would give great satisfaction to the merchants and people of this province, *Resolved unanimously*, that no merchant ought to sell his goods, at wholesale, for more than 112 one-half per cent.—at retail, for cash, for more than 130 per cent.—on credit, for more than 150 per cent. advance on the prime cost; and that no merchant, or other person, ought to engross any goods, wares, or merchandise whatsoever. And in case any question should arise, respecting the prime cost of goods, every merchant or factor possessing or owning such goods, ought to ascertain the same on oath, if requested to do it by the committee.

As a further regulation to enforce an observance of the late continental association, *Resolved unanimously*, That in all cases where breaches of the continental association, or the resolves of this convention, shall happen and be declared such by any committee of a county, no gentleman of the law ought to bring or prosecute any suit whatever for such offender: And if any factor shall commit any breach of the said association or resolves, that no gentleman of the law ought to bring or prosecute any suit for any debt due to the store of which the said factor has the management, after notice as aforesaid.

*Resolved*, That it is earnestly recommended by this convention, to the people of this province, that the determinations of the several county committees be observed and acquiesced in: That no persons, except members of the committees, undertake to meddle with or determine any question respecting the construction of the association entered into by the continental congress: And that the peace and good order be inviolably maintained throughout this province.

*Resolved unanimously*, That if the late acts of parliament, relative to the Massachusetts bay, shall be attempted to be carried into execution by force in that colony, or if the assumed power of parliament to tax the colonies shall be attempted to be carried into execution by force, in that or any other colony, that, in such case, this province will support such colony to the utmost of their power.

*Resolved unanimously*, That a well regulated militia, composed of the gentlemen, freeholders, and other freemen, is the natural strength and only stable security of a free government, and that such militia will relieve our mother country from any expense in our protection and defence; will obviate the pretence of a necessity for taxing us on that account, and render it unnecessary to keep any standing army (ever dangerous to liberty,) in this province: And therefore it is recommended to such of the said in-