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the Members. All of them accordingly subscribed their Names to the Resolve, highly approving, &c. as entered on the Journal, except Mr. Macknight, who desired he might have leave to reduce his Reasons to writing, that they might be entered on the Journals together with his Refusal, which was agreed to; but on his presenting them the next Day, when called upon again to subscribe, they would not suffer them even to be read; but the Question being proposed, whether his signing that he "would conform to the continental Association" would be satisfactory, they divided, 14 counties to 14, and the Moderator declined giving the casting Vote. While the Convention was waiting till the Representative of a Town, who was sent for on Purpose to decide the Question, should come in, Mr. Macknight was informed that it would give general Satisfaction if he would insert in the Declaration the Word "accede", which on his agreeing to do, two Members immediately voted in his favour, who had before given their Votes against him, and this now carried the Question for him; but the Minority being greatly discontented, several of them declared, that if