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Our last accounts from Poughkeepsie were dated on Saturday last. The Convention were then debating on the 8th sect. of the 1st art. on which they had then spent three days;—Mr. Hamilton advocating the clause against the objections of Mr. Smith, Mr. Lansing, and Mr. Williams.

Matters, we understand, are taking a warm turn in our Convention. Sundry papers were produced on Saturday, to shew an inconsistency in the politics of this State. This produced, by way of retort, an accusation of inconsistency in an Honorable Member of the Convention from this city [Alexander Hamilton], with respect to the State Governments; Mr. Lansing declaring, that it was the prevailing sentiment of the General Convention, that the State Governments ought to be destroyed, and that it was particularly the sentiment that Colonel Hamilton delivered in that Convention. Mr. Hamilton denied this peremptorily, and justified his conduct, with some severe remarks on Mr. Lansing. This produced some disorder, on which the Committee rose.

A resolution was then entered into, that the Convention would meet twice in each day—from nine in the morning, and sit till noon; and from three till six in the afternoon.—The decision, we are informed, will probably take place this week.

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