

The bill, entitled, An act to aid the proceedings of the commissioners of the tax, and for other purposes, was read the second time, passed, and sent to the house of delegates by Matthew Tilghman, Esq;

His excellency the governor communicates to the senate a letter from Henry Laufens, Esq; president of congress, of the 13th, enclosing a clause omitted to be inserted in the act of the 8th instant for a general embargo, pressing the attention of this state in transporting the provisions purchased for the continental army. Which was read, and sent to the house of delegates by Joseph Nicholson, Esq;

The senate adjourns till 3 o'clock.

P O S T M E R I D I E M.

The senate met.

Matthew Tilghman, Esq; from the committee appointed for the purpose, brings in and delivers to the president the following message; which was read, assented to, and sent to the house of delegates by Charles Carroll, Esq; barrister.

By the S E N A T E, June 15, 1778.

Gentlemen,

T H E subject of your message of the 12th, being of a very interesting and important nature, has had our mature deliberation; a respectful regard is at all times due to the recommendations of his excellency the governor, but our constitution and form of government, having been framed by a very full representative of the people for that purpose specially convened, ought not to receive alteration, except from the greatest necessity, and with the utmost care and circumspection. The present circumstances of the state may require some change, but it is worthy of much consideration, whether on that account only, it may be proper or prudent to alter any parts, which might otherwise be thought perfect; and though we might be willing to remove and amend any present imperfections, which may be pointed out to us, yet we would rather wish to avoid going into any alterations not absolutely and essentially necessary. We therefore request that you would be pleased to enumerate those imperfections, which from experience you have discovered; that we may be the better enabled to judge of the expediency of going into a committee of both houses on the subject; a mode of proceeding, which, in our opinion, is not altogether regular; and, although it has sometimes succeeded, yet in general, we think, has been productive rather of delay than dispatch.

By order, R. RIDGELY, cl: sen.

The senate adjourns till to-morrow morning 9 o'clock.

T U E S D A Y, June 16, 1778.

T H E senate met. Present the same members as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read.

Mr. Hughes and Mr. Brice, from the house of delegates, deliver to the president a bill, entitled, An act to prohibit, for a limited time, the exportation of wheat, flour, rye, Indian corn, rice, bread, beef, pork, bacon, live stock, and other victual, thus endorsed; "By the house of delegates, June 15, 1778: Read the first and second time, by an especial order, and will pass."

By order, G. DUVALL, cl: ho. del."

Which was read the first time, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Lloyd and Mr. Grisham, from the house of delegates, deliver to the president the bill, entitled, An act for the holding the general court for the eastern shore at Chester-Town in Kent county, during the time therein mentioned, thus endorsed; "By the house of delegates, June 13, 1778: Read the first time, and ordered to lie on the table."

By order, G. DUVALL, cl: ho. del.

"By the house of delegates, June 16, 1778: Read the second time, and will not pass."

By order, G. DUVALL, cl: ho. del."

The senate adjourns till 3 o'clock.

P O S T M E R I D I E M.

The senate met, and adjourned till to-morrow morning 9 o'clock.

W E D N E S D A Y, June 17, 1778.

T H E senate met. Present the same members, as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read.

The senate adjourns till 3 o'clock.

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