

support to this state, to teach and preach the Gospel, thus endorsed; "By the house of delegates, August 11, 1779: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order,

J. DUCKETT, cl. ho. del.

"By the house of delegates, August 15, 1779: Read the second time and will not pass.

"By order,

J. DUCKETT, cl. ho. del."

The resolution sent from the house of delegates by Messieurs Chaille and Wilson was read, assented to, and sent to the house of delegates by Richard Barnes, Esq;

Messieurs Smith and Burgess, from the house of delegates, deliver to the president a bill, entitled, An act for the payment of the journal of accounts, thus endorsed; "By the house of delegates, August 15, 1779: Read the first and second time by especial order and will pass.

"By order,

J. DUCKETT, cl. ho. del."

Which was read the first and second time by especial order, passed, and sent to the house of delegates by Joseph Sim, Esq;

Messieurs Sprigg and Cramphin, from the house of delegates, deliver to the president the following resolution:

By the HOUSE of DELEGATES, August 15, 1779.

WHEREAS many inhabitants of this state, ignorant of the duty they owe their country, and influenced by the advice and example of designing men, whose political principles induced them to oppose the measures taken by this and the other states to secure and establish their freedom and independence, have omitted to take, repeat and subscribe the oath or affirmation of support and fidelity to this state, prescribed by the act for the better security of the government: RESOLVED, That the General Assembly, moved and incited by motives of compassion, will on petition relieve such persons from the treble tax, and all the incapacities, disabilities and disqualifications created and imposed by the said act, except the holding any office of trust or profit and voting at any election; provided every petitioner, previous to preferring his petition, give evidence of his attachment and fidelity to this state, by his taking, repeating and subscribing the oath or affirmation prescribed by the said act for the better security of the government, before any justice of the county where such petitioner doth reside.

By order,

J. DUCKETT, cl. ho. del.

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

The following message was sent to the house of delegates by Matthew Tilghman, Esq;

By the SENATE, August 15, 1779.

Gentlemen,

THE senate have agreed to adjourn to the first Monday in November next.

By order,

H. RIDGELY, cl. sen.

The resolution sent from the house of delegates by Messieurs Sprigg and Cramphin, was read and dissented to, so endorsed, and sent to the house of delegates by Robert Goldsborough, Esq;

Messieurs H. Ridgely and J. Mackall, from the house of delegates, deliver to the president the engrossed bills No. 20, 21, and 22, with the paper bills thereof, which engrossed bills were thus severally endorsed: "By the house of delegates, August 15, 1779: Read and assented to.

"By order,

J. DUCKETT, cl. ho. del."

Which were here read and assented to, and the paper bills so endorsed.

Messieurs J. T. Chafe and Bordley, from the house of delegates, deliver to the present the following resolutions:

By the HOUSE of DELEGATES, August 15, 1779.

ON reading the memorial of Thomas Grafon, commodore, RESOLVED, That the said commodore be entitled to receive, from this state, the same wages and allowances as are established by congress for a captain of a frigate in the continental service.

RESOLVED, That the other officers in the marine service of this state, be entitled to receive from this state, the same wages and allowances as are established by congress for officers of similar rank in the continental service.

RESOLVED, That the mariners and marines of this state, be entitled to receive from this state, the same wages and allowances as are established by congress for mariners and marines in the continental service.

RESOLVED, That commodore Grafon, for his extraordinary services in the care of the marine and naval stores belonging to this state, be entitled to receive, as a salary, at the rate of five hundred pounds per annum, during his continuance in the service.

By order,

J. DUCKETT, cl. ho. del.

By the HOUSE of DELEGATES, August 15, 1779.

RESOLVED, That the governor and the council be authorized and empowered to draw on the treasury for a sum of money sufficient to furnish the sailors and marines, now in the service of this state,