

The petition of Robert Richardson of Talbot county, which was postponed from a session of the general assembly held in February last, and a petition from sundry inhabitants of Frederick county, praying a law may pass for opening a public road from a certain ferry on Patowmack river to Frederick-town, were severally read and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Benson has leave of absence for a few days.

George Plater, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker a memorial from Frances Campbell, widow, and executrix of the last will and testament of John Campbell, late of the city of Annapolis, deceased, setting forth, That some time in May 1776, major Price took possession of a house belonging to the deceased, and made an hospital of it for the soldiers which were then in the city of Annapolis, and continued to make use of it as such until some time last spring, when, by the neglect or carelessness of the people therein, the said house, with the kitchen and stable adjoining thereto, caught fire and were burned to the ground: And therefore praying for such relief for the damages sustained as shall be thought equitable—thus endorsed; “By the senate, November 6, 1777: Read and referred to the consideration of the house of delegates.

“By order, A. C. HANSON, cl. sen.”

Which was read here and ordered to lie on the table.

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

F R I D A Y, November 7, 1777.

**T**HE house met. Present the same members as on yesterday, except Mr. Benson. The proceedings of yesterday were read.

The house proceeded to nominate the following persons officers of militia, agreeable to the act for regulating the militia of this state, to be recommended to the governor and the council for commissions. William Lyles, lieutenant of Prince-George's county. In Harford county, gunpowder battalion, Alexander Cowan, col. James Maccomas, lieutenant col. Samuel Caldwell, major. Swan-Creek battalion, Richard Dallam, col. Francis Holland, lieutenant col. John Beedle Hall, major. Deer-Creek battalion, William Webb, col. Ignatius Wheeler, jun. lieutenant col. Alexander Rigdon, major. Sent to the senate for their concurrence by Mr. A. Hall and Mr. Magruder.

Mr. Smithson has leave of absence for a few days. Mr. Crabb has leave of absence till Wednesday next, Mr. Daffin till Friday next, and Mr. Smoot for eight days.

**ORDERED**, That the commissioners of the tax, who have not made returns of the assessments in their respective counties, agreeable to the acts for the assessment of property within this state, do forthwith make returns thereof agreeable to the said acts.

**ORDERED**, That a copy of the above be sent by express to the said commissioners respectively.

**ORDERED**, That the lieutenants of those counties who have not complied with the directions of the act for regulating the militia of this state, do forthwith comply with the directions thereof.

**ORDERED**, That a copy of the above be sent by express to the said lieutenants respectively.

On reading a letter from Francis Ware, Esq; lieutenant of Charles county, the following persons were recommended officers of militia. Henry Boarman, capt. Isaac Smoot, ensign. Hezekiah Dent, 1st lieutenant. Thomas Dyson, 2d lieutenant. Sent to the senate for their concurrence by Mr. Forbes and Mr. M'Pherson.

Charles Carroll, barrister, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker a memorial from Charles Wallace, touching his contract with the public for the delivery of a certain quantity of salt, thus endorsed; “By the senate, November 7, 1777: Read and referred to the consideration of the house of delegates.

“By order, A. C. HANSON, cl. sen.”

Charles Carroll of Carrollton, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the list of officers sent up this day by Mr. Forbes and Mr. M'Pherson, thus endorsed; “By the senate, November 7, 1777: Read and assented to.

“By order, A. C. HANSON, cl. sen.”

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

S A T U R D A Y, November 8, 1777.

**T**HE house met. Present the same members as on yesterday, except Mr. Smoot, Mr. Daffin, Mr. Smithson, and Mr. Crabb. The proceedings of yesterday were read. Mr. H. Wilson, Mr. M'Pherson, and Mr. Goldsborough, have leave of absence till Thursday next.

On motion, **RESOLVED**, That every housekeeper in the several counties of this state be earnestly requested immediately to furnish one pair of good white yarn stockings, or a greater number if possible, and to deliver them to the sheriff of their county, who shall pay for each pair not exceeding twenty-five shillings common money, according to quality. Sent to the senate for their concurrence by Mr. Holland and Mr. Williams.

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