

William Hindman, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the resolve sent up by Mr. Young and Mr. H. Wilson, thus endorsed; "By the senate, April 21, 1778: Read and assented to."

"By order,
Adjourned till 3 o'clock.

R. RIDGELY, cl. sen."

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

The house met.

RESOLVED, That the governor and the council be authorised, empowered, and requested, to put such of the galleys and armed boats as they may think best into commission, under the direction of a commodore or commander in chief, and may direct the others to be employed in transporting troops, provisions, or other stores; and that the commodore have power to appoint a fit and proper person in the capacity of clerk, to have the care of stows, and deliver the same out to the sailors and marines; also to purchase whiskey and other necessaries, and to pay the wages that may be due to the sailors and marines, deducting what may be advanced them in account.

RESOLVED, That the governor and the council have full power and authority to cause a warehouse to be hired at Annapolis or Baltimore-Town, or such other place as they may think proper, for the purpose of holding naval stores; and that the clerk appointed by the commodore be directed to purchase and lay up rigging, tar, turpentine, and such other materials as may be necessary for the fitting out and keeping in repair the galleys and other vessels belonging to this state.

RESOLVED, That the pay of the officers and sailors be as followeth, viz. Commodore (common money per calendar month) 27*l.* Captain 20*l.* Lieutenant, 12*l.* 10*s.* Master, 12*l.* 10*s.* Boatswain, 9*l.* Gunner, 7*l.* 10*s.* Gunner's mate, 7*l.* Surgeon, 15*l.* Surgeon's mate, 12*l.* 10*s.* Carpenter, 12*l.* 10*s.* Midshipman, 7*l.* 10*s.* Cook, 6*l.* Seamen, 6*l.*

RESOLVED, That the governor and the council have full power and authority to cause the vessel now on the stocks at Baltimore-Town to be fitted out for a voyage to sea, in partnership with such person as they may think proper, or otherwise may cause her to be sold, under the power heretofore given.

Sent up for concurrence by Mr. Somervill and Mr. Purnell.

The bill, entitled, A supplement to an act for the better security of the government, was read the second time by an especial order, passed, and sent to the senate by Mr. Veazey and Mr. J. Barnes.

The journal of accounts was sent to the senate by Mr. Contee and Mr. Brice.

The house, by an especial order, taking into consideration the bill, entitled, An act for the payment of the journal of accounts, and for other purposes, the question was put, That the loan-office certificates therein mentioned shall pass current in all payments, and be a legal tender to all intents and purposes, equally with the bills of credit of this or of the United States? Passed in the affirmative.

A F F I R M A T I V E.

Messieurs R. Barnes,
Gresham,
Tillard,
Semmes,

M^rPherson,
Murray,
Deye,
Veazey,

Hyland,
West,
Bowie,
Brice,

Quynn,
Bruff,
Mitchell,
Young,

H. Wilson,
Chafe,
J. Barnes,

Schnebely,
Williams,
Bayly.

N E G A T I V E.

Messieurs Plowden,
Lethbrury,
Lloyd,
J. Hall,

Hammond,
Worthington,
Somervill,

Winder,
L. Wilson,
Shepherd,

Ridgely,
Magruder,
Contee,

Earle,
Purnell,
Edelen,

Thomas,
Burgefs,
Crabb.

Matthew Tilghman, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the bill, entitled, A supplement to an act for the better security of the government, thus endorsed; "By the senate, April 21, 1778: Read the first and second time, by an especial order, and will pass with the amendments proposed.

"By order,

R. RIDGELY, cl. sen."

Amendments proposed. In the 19th line of the 1st page, between the words "to" and "each," insert "the clerk of." In the 1st line of the 2d page, between the words "tax" and "afore-said," insert ".on his property." In the 3d line, strike out the word "such," and insert "any." At the end of the proviso in same clause add, "whose name does not appear on the clerk's list aforesaid."

By order,

R. RIDGELY, cl. sen.

The amendments were read and assented to, and the bill ordered to be engrossed.

Charles Carroll, barrister, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the resolves sent up this afternoon by Mr. Somervill and Mr. Purnell, thus endorsed; "By the senate, April 21, 1778: Read and assented to.

By order,

R. RIDGELY, cl. sen."

Thomas