

“ By the senate, July 23, 1779: Read the second time and will pass.

“ By order,

H. RIDGELY, cl. sen.”

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

William Paca, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act establishing a mode to perpetuate testimony, thus endorsed; “ By the senate, July 22, 1779: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

“ By order,

H. RIDGELY, cl. sen.

“ By the senate, July 23, 1779: Read the second time and will pass.

“ By order,

H. RIDGELY, cl. sen.”

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

The bill, entitled, An act to revive and continue the late act of assembly to prevent distilling grain into spirit, was read the second time, passed, and sent to the senate by Mr. Thomas and Mr. H. Goldsborough.

Richard Barnes, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker a petition of Peter la Fargue, and John Thourond, which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

Matthew Tilghman, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker a petition of Robert Reith, which was read and ordered to lie on the table.

Joseph Nicholson, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the bill to revive and continue the act to prevent distilling grain into spirit, thus endorsed; “ By the senate, July 24, 1779: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

“ By order,

H. RIDGELY, cl. sen.

“ By the senate, July 24, 1779: Read the second time by especial order and will pass.

“ By order,

H. RIDGELY, cl. sen.”

Which was ordered to be engrossed.

A petition of sundry inhabitants of Talbot county, respecting a road in that county, was preferred and read, and referred to committee No. 5, to report thereon.

A petition of James Roach, of Cæcil county, was preferred and read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Robert Goldsborough, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker a petition of Thomas Rigby and Moses Rigby, thus endorsed; “ By the senate, July 24, 1779: Read and referred to the consideration of the house of delegates.

“ By order,

H. RIDGELY, cl. sen.”

Which was read and referred to committee No. 5, to report thereon.

A petition of sundry inhabitants of Cæcil county, relative to the variation of the compass, was preferred and read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Smoot appeared in the house.

On motion, ORDERED, That Mr. Hammond be added to committee No. 5, Mr. Harrison to committee No. 6, and Mr. Smoot to committee No. 7.

A petition of sundry inhabitants of Caroline county, respecting a causeway, was preferred and read, and ordered to lie on the table.

A petition of Mary Triplet, relative to the damage done to her houses by the soldiery, which was preferred last October session and referred to this session, was read.

On motion, ORDERED, That our delegates to congress be requested to attend this house on Monday next, at four of the clock in the afternoon, to give information on divers important subjects now under consideration in the house of delegates, and also on other subjects of great consequence to the happiness and welfare of the state of Maryland; and that the honourable speaker be requested to direct one or more members to give them notice thereof. The honourable speaker, in consequence of the above order, appointed Messieurs Hall and Smith to give notice to the delegates accordingly.

Adjourned till 4 o'clock.

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

The house met.

The petition of Mary Triplet was read the second time, and the said petition, and the several papers attending it, referred to committee No. 7, to report thereon.

A petition of Daniel Payne, a nonjuror in Dorchester county, was preferred and referred to committee No. 4.

The memorial of Jesse Bullock was read the second time, and thereupon RESOLVED, That the treasurer of the western shore pay to Jesse Bullock three hundred dollars, in part of his pay, subsistence and cloathing, and that the auditor-general state an account against the said Jesse Bullock, and send a copy thereof to the paymaster of the second Maryland regiment, in order that the like sum may be stopped in his hands and repaid to the treasurer of the western shore.

The petition of the inhabitants of Caroline county, respecting a causeway, was read a second time, and withdrawn for the want of proper notice being given to the inhabitants.

The house adjourns till Monday morning 8 o'clock.

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