

"testimonies and vouchers as may tend to, make good the charges already made - your
"knowledge of the business renders more particular directions unnecessary at this time - Our Senators
"and Representatives in the Congress of the United States will, we have no doubt render
"you their assistance in any difficulties that may arise in the execution of this
"trust, and we shall give immediate attention to, ^{such} communications as you may make
"us on the progress of the business - We shall not undertake to fix your salary,
"the General Assembly will undoubtedly consider your services properly, but we do
"will make you occasional advances - On which the Honorable John
"Dawson Esq^r proposed to strike out the words "your knowledge of the business ren-
"ders more particular directions unnecessary at this time" - and insert the following - "We
"conceive your letter, with the Auditors report (which we enclose you) comprehend nearly
"the whole of the business you will be engaged in, your knowledge of the Accounts
"and claims of Maryland makes it unnecessary for us to be very particular on this
"subject, one circumstance however in addition to those laid before us, we wish to draw
"your attention while in New York, that is the advances made by Congress in
"Continental Money to the several States; for we have great reason to believe
"Maryland has not drawn from the Continental Treasury near her proportion, should
"this be the case she certainly ought to have credit on the Books of the United
"States for the deficiency, as the several States are now producing claims against
"the Union which have been procured with the money advanced them respectively,
"therefore it is necessary for Maryland to see that those Charges are properly
"brought forward or have the credit suggested -"

On the Question to agree to the Amendment the votes appeared
as follows:

Negative	Affirmative
The Honble James Brice Esq ^r John Killy Esq ^r	The Honble John Dawson Esq ^r

The Council adjourned till tomorrow morning

Thursday 2 April 1789

The Council met

Present as on yesterday

The Council adjourned till tomorrow morning.