

The resolve of the house of delegates of yesterday by Messieurs Wootton and Henry was read a second time, and will be concurred with, with the following amendment:

Amendment to the resolve relating to the settling the rank of military officers. After the word "Washington" add the following: "That the commissions be made out and the officers act according to the roster of rank agreed to by the general assembly, until such rank is settled by general Washington. That this resolution, together with all former resolutions of convention respecting the rank of military officers, and the arrangement and roster of rank agreed to by this assembly, be sent to general Washington, in a joint letter from the president of the senate and speaker of the house of delegates."

Sent to the house of delegates by Brice T. B. Worthington, Esq;

Mr. Veazy and Mr. Banning from the house of delegates, deliver to the president the following resolve, which was read and ordered to lie on the table.

In the HOUSE of DELEGATES, April 11, 1777.

The house taking into consideration the salary of the governor and other civil officers of government, RESOLVED, That there be allowed to the governor of this state a yearly salary, at the rate of fifteen hundred pounds current money, inclusive of an allowance of one hundred pounds per annum for house rent. That each member of the council be allowed twenty-seven shillings and six-pence for each day's attendance at or travelling to or from the board, in full satisfaction for his services and expences. That there be allowed to the chancellor of this state a yearly salary, at the rate of three hundred pounds current money. That there be allowed to the clerk of the house of delegates and to the clerk of the senate a yearly salary, at the rate of one hundred and fifty pounds current money each. That there be allowed to the clerk of the council a yearly salary, at the rate of two hundred pounds current money. That there be allowed to the commissioners of the loan-office a yearly salary, at the rate of two hundred pounds current money each. That there be allowed to each of the judges of the court of appeals and to each of the judges of the general court, thirty shillings for each day's attendance at or travelling to or from their respective courts, in full satisfaction for his services and expences.

By order,

G. DUVALL, cl. ho. del.

Adjourned till next day 10 o'clock.

SATURDAY, April 12, 1777.

SENATE met according to adjournment. The same members present as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read.

Charles Carroll, Barrister, and Charles Grahame, Esquires, having previously qualified for the purpose, the senate then proceeded to the choice of a member in the room of Mr. Hooper, who declined taking a seat in the senate, and William Hindman, Esq; was elected by ballot in his stead.

RESOLVED, That the president be requested to write to Mr. Hindman, and inform him of his appointment.

Mr. Douglass and Mr. Polk from the house of delegates, deliver to the president the following resolves:

In the HOUSE of DELEGATES, April 12, 1777.

RESOLVED, That the governor and council be requested, in filling up commissions to the officers of the seven battalions, to date all the said commissions on the tenth of this present month, and to number each commission according to the rank the officer bears in the roster agreed to by the general assembly, and also to note on each commission whether the officer has continued in the service last campaign, and in what station, and the time any officer has been promoted, in order that the pay of the officers may be ascertained with justice to them and the public.

RESOLVED, That congress be requested to direct, that the rank between the officers of this state and any other of the United States be settled by his excellency general Washington, without any prejudice to the officers of this state from the date of their commissions.

RESOLVED, That the governor and council be empowered to fill up the vacancies in the military arrangement of officers of the seven battalions raised by this state, occasioned by resignations or otherwise.

By order,

G. DUVALL, cl. ho. del.

Mr. Benson and Mr. Allein from the house of delegates, deliver to the president a bill, entitled, An act to open the courts of justice, and for other purposes, endorsed as follows; "By the house of delegates, April 11, 1777: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

" By order,

G. DUVALL, cl. ho. del.

" By the house of delegates, April 12, 1777: Read the second time by an especial order, and will pass with the amendments herewith sent.

" By order,

G. DUVALL, cl. ho. del."

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