fage of this house of yesterday, by Charles Carroll, Esq; barrister, thus endorsed; "By the house of delegates, Dec. 8, 1777: Kead and assented to. G. DUVALL, cl. ho. del."

On progression, in reading the bill, entitled, An act for the better security of the government, . By order, it was moved, that the following amendment be proposed, "And be it enacted, That all persons, who shall neglect to take the oath of allegiance, as prescribed, or affirm thereunto, if a quaker, menonist, or dunker, shall be considered as enemies to this state, and shall forseit unto this state all their property in this state; but such property shall be liable and subject to all debts due to any subject of this state, or any of the United States, and, after satisfaction of such debts, one third of the balance shall, as a matter of grace and favour, be restored to the parties;" and the question being put, was resolved in the negative.

## N E G A T I V E.

Hon. Daniel of St. Thomas Jenifer, Esq; president, Matthew Tilghman, Charles Carroll, barrister, Samuel Wilson, B. T. B. Worthington, Thomas Contee, Charles Grahame, and William Hindman, Esqrs.

## AFFIRMATIVE.

Geo. Plater, William Paca, Charles Carroll of Carrollton, and T. Wright, Esqrs.

Messes. Benson and Simms, from the house of delegates, deliver to the president a bill, entitled, A supplement to the act for the regulation of officers fees, thus endorsed; "By the house of delegates, December 5, 1777: Read the first time, and ordered to lie on the table.

G. DUVALL, cl. ho. del. " By order,

By the house of delegates, December 9, 1777: Read the second time, and will pass. G. DUVALL, cl. ho. del." 66 By order,

Samuel Wilson, Esq; has leave of absence. The senate adjourns till to-morrow morning 9 o'clock.

## December 10, 1777 - 12 10 11 Υ, E $\mathbf{W}$ $\mathbf{E}$

HE senate met. Present the same members as on yesterday, except Samuel Wilson, Esq;

The proceedings of yesterday were read, Messes. Burgess and Winder, from the house of delegates, deliver to the president the petition of Daniel Melson, thus endorsed; "By the house of delegates, December 10, 1777: Read and By order,

Which was read and granted, and sent to the house of delegates by Charles Carroll of Cargranted.

Messres. Magruder and Alexander, from the house of delegates, deliver to the president the enrollton, Esquire. groffed bill, No. 9, with the paper bill thereof, which engroffed bill was thus endorsed; "By the

house of delegates, Dec. 10, 1777: Read and assented to. G. DUVALL, cl. ho. del." 66 By order, The said engrossed bill was read and assented to, and the paper bill was sent to the house

of delegates by Turbutt Wright, Esq. Matthew Tilghman, Charles Carroll, barrister, and Turbutt Wright, Esqrs. Have leave of

The senate resumed the consideration of the bill, entitled, An act for the better security of the absence. government, and, after some debate thereon, adjourned till to-morrow morning, 9 o'clock.

## THURS DAY, December 11, 1777

HE senate met. Present the same members as on yesterday, except Matthew Tilghman, Charles Carroll, barrister, and Turbutt Wright, Esqrs. The proceedings of yesterday

Mess. Douglass and Smithson, from the house of delegates, deliver to the president the petition of Hamilton Calilo, thus endorsed; "By the house of delegates, December, 11, 1777: Read and referred to the governor and the council, with full power to make such order in the pr "miles as they shall think proper. By order, By order, G. DUVALL, cl. ho. del." And the petition of Hugh Deane, thus endorsed; "By the house of delegates, Dec. 11, 1777; Read and referred to the governor and the council, with full power to do therein as they think

By order, Messrs. Deye and Chew, from the house of delegates, deliver to the president the engrossed bill, No. 11, with the paper bill thereof, which engrossed bill was thus endorsed; "By the house of de-

66 legates, December 11, 1777: Read and assented to. G. DUVALL, cl. bo. del." By order, a pli me