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Votes and Proceedings  
OF THE  
SENATE  
OF THE  
STATE OF MARYLAND.

MARCH SESSION, 1778.

Being the SECOND SESSION of this ASSEMBLY.

**A**T a session of the General Assembly of the state of Maryland, begun and held at the city of Annapolis, on Friday the thirteenth day of March, in the year of our lord one thousand seven hundred and seventy-eight, the following members appeared in the senate:

- The honourable DANIEL OF ST. THOMAS JENIFER, Esq; President,
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| MATTHEW TILGHMAN,        | } Esquires. |
| JOSEPH NICHOLSON, jun.   |             |
| SAMUEL WILSON,           |             |
| TURBUTT WRIGHT,          |             |
| BRICE T. B. WORTHINGTON, |             |
| CHARLES GRAHAME,         |             |
| WILLIAM HINDMAN,         |             |

Mr. Alexander Contee Hanson having resigned the office of clerk to this house, Mr. Richard Ridgely is appointed in his stead.  
The senate adjourns till to-morrow morning 9 o'clock.

SATURDAY, March 14, 1778.

**T**HE senate met. Present the same members as on yesterday. Mr. Richard Ridgely qualified as clerk to the senate, by taking the oath of fidelity prescribed by the constitution and form of government, the oath directed by the act, entitled, An act to punish certain crimes and misdemeanors, and to prevent the growth of toryism, subscribing a declaration of his belief in the christian religion, and taking the oath of office.

Mr. William Tuck was appointed messenger, and Jonathian Parker door-keeper, to the senate. His excellency the governor communicates to the president a letter from Henry Laurens, Esq; president of congress, of the 1st of January last, enclosing an act of congress, of the day preceding, for promoting a speedy reformation in the army in discipline and oeconomy: A letter and act of the 12th of January, relative to the securing of salt: A letter of the 17th of the same month, enclosing an act of congress for suspending the embarkation of lieutenant-general Burgoyne, and the troops