

The said engrossed bill was read, assented to, and the paper bill was sent to the house of delegates, by Samuel Wilson, Esq.

On motion, ORDERED, That Samuel Wilson, Esq; wait upon his excellency and request his attendance in the senate to sign and seal the engrossed bill. The governor appeared in the senate. ORDERED, That George Plater and Matthew Tilghman, Esqrs. acquaint the house of delegates that the governor is ready to sign and seal the engrossed bill, and request their attendance in the senate. The house of delegates appeared in the senate, and the following engrossed bill was presented by the speaker to the governor, who signed the same, and affixed the great seal thereto, in presence of the members of both houses:

No. 1. An act for the service of the United States.

The senate adjourns till to-morrow morning, 9 o'clock.

T U E S D A Y, March 24, 1778.

THE senate met. Present the same members as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read.

The senate adjourns till to-morrow morning 9 o'clock.

W E D N E S D A Y, March 25, 1778.

THE senate met. Present the same members as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read.

The senate adjourns till to-morrow morning 9 o'clock.

T H U R S D A Y, March 26, 1778.

THE senate met. Present the same members as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read.

His excellency the governor communicates to the senate a letter from George Dashiell, Esq; lieutenant of Somerset county, enclosing sundry depositions relative to the mal-conduct of sundry disaffected persons in that county; which were read, referred to the consideration of the house of delegates, and sent by Brice T. B. Worthington, Esq.

The bill, entitled, An act to direct the recording of a deed to John Raifin, was read, passed with the following amendment, and sent to the house of delegates, by Charles Grahame, Esq. At the end of the bill insert the following proviso: "Provided always, That this act shall not be construed to prejudice or defeat the title of any person claiming the land mentioned in the said deed, or any part thereof, by or under any purchase *bonâ fide* made from the said Thomas Bateshell, or from the said Thomas Bateshell and Sarah his wife, since the acknowledgment of the said deed."

Messrs. Lethrbury and J. Smith, from the house of delegates, deliver to the President a bill, entitled, An act to revive and continue an act for enlarging the powers of the governor and council, thus endorsed; "By the house of delegates, March 26, 1778: Read the first and second time, "by an especial order, and will pass.

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

Which was read a first and second time, by an especial order, passed with the following amendments, and sent to the house of delegates by William Hindman, Esq. Amendments: Strike out the words "the next," in the second line from the bottom, and insert the words "this present," and strike out the words "the general" in the last line.

Messrs. Hammond and Chew, from the house of delegates, deliver to the President the engrossed bills, No. 2 and 3, thus severally endorsed; "By the house of Delegates, March 26, 1778: "The amendments agreed to, and the bill ordered to be engrossed.

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

The said engrossed bills were read and assented to, and the paper bills sent to the house of delegates by George Plater, Esq.

On motion, ORDERED, That William Hindman, Esq; wait upon his excellency and request his attendance to sign and seal the engrossed bills. The governor appeared in the senate. ORDERED, That George Plater and Matthew Tilghman, Esqrs. acquaint the house of delegates that the governor is ready to sign and seal the engrossed bills, and request their attendance in the senate. The house of delegates appeared in the senate, and the following engrossed bills were presented by the Speaker to the governor, who signed the same, and affixed the great seal thereto, in presence of the members of both houses.