

P O S T M E R I D I E M.

The senate met.

The bill, entitled, An act to prohibit, for a limited time, the exportation of wheat, flour, rye, Indian corn, rice, bread, beef, pork, bacon, live stock, and other victual, was read a second time, by especial order, passed, with the amendments proposed, and sent to the house of delegates by Brice T. B. Worthington, Esq;

Amendments proposed. In the 6th line of the 4th page, strike out the words "by land or water," and insert in the 8th line, between the words "conveyed" and "to," the words "by water." Strike out the word "shore," in the 9th line, and insert "point of the mouth." Strike out from the word "case," in the 11th line of same page, to the word "the," in the second line from the bottom of same page, and insert as follow: "Provided also, That in case the governor and council shall at any time think a suspension of this act necessary." Strike out the word "or," in the last line of the fourth page, and the words "proclamations to be issued," at the beginning of the fifth page. Insert the word "generally" after the word "exportation," in the first line of same page. Strike out the words "and singular," in the second line of same page. Strike out from the word "commodities," in the second line, to the word "any," in the 4th line.

The bill, entitled, An act for the regulation of pilots, was read a second time, and will not pass.

On motion, the following message was prepared to be sent to the house of delegates:

By the S E N A T E, June 17, 1778.

Gentlemen,

THE bill for regulation of pilots, appearing to us to have many defects, and not being perfectly satisfied of the expediency of such a law at this time, we have given it our negative, rather choosing to postpone a consideration of the subject to some future session, when more leisure and better information may enable the legislature to frame a bill more adequate to the purpose.

By order,

R. RIDGELY, cl. sen.

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

T H U R S D A Y, June 18, 1778.

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

The bill, entitled, An act for the regulation of pilots, with the message relative thereto, was sent to the house of delegates by Thomas Contee, Esq;

The senate adjourns till 3 o'clock.

P O S T M E R I D I E M.

The senate met,

Mr. Veazey and Mr. Sheredine, from the house of delegates, deliver to the president a bill, entitled, An act concerning the gun-lock factory in Frederick-Town, in Frederick county, thus endorsed, "By the house of delegates, June 18, 1778: Read the first and second time, by an especial order, and will pass.

"By order,

G. DUVALL, cl. ho. del."

Mr. Deye and Mr. Worthington, from the house of delegates, deliver to the president the following resolves:

By the HOUSE of DELEGATES, June 18, 1778.

The committee of the whole house having considered the articles of confederation and perpetual union, and the general assembly of this state having, in October last, given particular instructions to their delegates in congress relative thereto, to which they have hitherto received no answer, RESOLVED, That this state hath, upon all occasions, shewn her zeal to maintain and promote the general welfare of the United States of America: That, upon the same principles, this house is of opinion a confederation of perpetual friendship and union between the United States is highly necessary for the benefit of the whole; and this house is most willing and desirous to enter into a confederation and union, but at the same time such confederation, in our opinion, should be formed on the principles of justice and perfect equality.

RESOLVED, That the said delegates in congress consider themselves bound by the said instructions, and that they do not ratify and confirm the said articles of confederation until congress shall take the said instructions into consideration, and shall enable the said delegates of this state to give a direct and positive answer thereto, and then not without the express authority of the legislature of this state.

Which were read the first time, and ordered to lie on the table.

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

FRIDAY,