

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, OCTOBER, 1778. 7

By The SENATE, November 13, 1778.

RESOLVED, That the president and the speaker write a joint letter to the absent gentlemen chosen delegates to congress, to inform them of their appointment.

By order, R. RIDGELY, cl. sen.

Messieurs Hughes and Smoot from the house of delegates, deliver to the president the resolution of this house on yesterday by Brice T. B. Worthington, Esq; thus endorsed; "By the house of delegates, November 13; 1778: Read and assented to.

"By order, J. DUCKETT, cl. ho. del."

Messieurs R. Goldsborough and Thomas from the house of delegates, deliver to the president a 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, peas, beans, oats, and other victual, thus endorsed; "By the house of delegates, November 12, 1778: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order, J. DUCKETT, cl. ho. del.

"By the house of delegates, November 13, 1778: Read the second time and will pass.

"By order, J. DUCKETT, cl. ho. del."

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

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

SATURDAY, November 14, 1778.

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

The governor communicates to the president a letter from the president of the council of the state of Massachusetts-Bay, enclosing an act for the prevention of refugees returning to that state, and requesting a list of the names of the refugees of this state; a letter from the honourable the marine committee of congress, requesting the releasement of a vessel laden on account of congress from the hands of the naval officer of this state; which were severally read and sent to the house of delegates by William Hindman, Esq;

The bill, entitled, An act to prevent for a limited time the exportation of wheat, flour, rye, Indian corn, rice, bread, beef, pork, bacon, live stock, peas, beans, oats, and other victual, was read a second time by especial order, passed with the proposed amendments:

After the word "board," in the sixteenth line of the second page, insert "contrary to this act." After the word "laden," in the nineteenth line and same page, insert "upon the master of such ship or vessel refusing to produce proper clearances." After the word "lawful," in the sixteenth line of the fourth page, strike out the words "to and for," and insert "for the governor and council to permit any inhabitant or inhabitants of this state, or." In the last line of the fifth page, strike out "March," and insert "May."

The said bill was, with the amendments, sent to the house of delegates by George Plater, Esq;

The senate adjourns till 4 o'clock.

POST MERIDIEM.

The senate met, and adjourned till to-morrow morning 11 o'clock.

SUNDAY, November 15, 1778.

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

Messieurs Chase and Carmichael from the house of delegates, deliver to the president the following message:

By the HOUSE of DELEGATES, November 15, 1778.

May it please your honours,

THIS house have taken into consideration your honours amendments proposed to 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, peas, beans, oats, and other victual, and have agreed to all the amendments except the second, which this house cannot assent to, because they are of opinion, it will restrain the masters of the ships or vessels belonging to this state, the United States, or either of them, from searching or examining any vessel suspected to have prohibited articles on board, after the master of such vessel shall produce proper clearance, whereby the law in many instances may be evaded.

By order,

J. DUCKETT, cl. ho. del.

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