

“ By the house of delegates, November 26, 1778: Read the second time and will pass.
By order, J. DUCKETT, cl. ho. del.”

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

F R I D A Y, November 27, 1778.

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

The petition of doctor Ephraim Howard, of Anne-Arundel county, praying to be absolved from a contract entered into with the council of safety, on paying the principal and interest. The petition of sundry inhabitants of Talbot county, praying an act of assembly may pass, declaring a bye road in said county a public road. The petition of sundry inhabitants of Calvert county, praying an act to empower certain persons to sell and convey the lands belonging to the free-school in the said county.

The several petitions above mentioned were read, referred to the consideration of the house of delegates, and sent by Robert Goldborough, Esq;

The governor communicates to the president a letter from the chairman of the marine committee of congress, giving information of the appointment of a consul to the port of Baltimore and other ports in Maryland, which was read, referred to the consideration of the house of delegates, and sent by Charles Carroll, Esq; Barrister.

Messieurs Sprigg and Bowie from the house of delegates, deliver to the president the following resolution:

By the HOUSE of DELEGATES, November 27, 1778.

RESOLVED, That the treasurer of the western shore pay to Mr. Elie Vallette three hundred and fifty pounds currency, for his services and expences in taking care of the records of the prerogative office while at Upper Marlborough.

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

Mr. Jenings, having formerly been counsel for one of the parties on the subject to be taken into consideration agreeable to the order of the day, intimated to the senate his desire of withdrawing, and withdrew accordingly.

The order of the day for taking into consideration the bill, entitled, An act to repeal certain resolutions of convention, and for other purposes therein mentioned, being read, information was given to the parties that the senate was ready to hear their arguments, upon which the parties appeared in the senate and were heard.

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

S A T U R D A Y, November 28, 1778.

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

The petition of the artillery captains of this state, praying to have their pay encreased to the continental allowance, was read, referred to the consideration of the house of delegates, and sent by Charles Carroll, Esq; of Carrollton.

The bill, entitled, An act to prevent forestalling and engrossing, and for other purposes therein mentioned, was read a second time, and passed with the following amendments:

In the 11th line of the 2d page, after the word “state,” insert “for the public use.” In the 20th line of the 3d page, after the word “importer,” insert, “shall refuse or neglect to sign such list as aforesaid.” And between the words “or” and “purchaser,” in the same line, insert the word “any.” In the ninth line of the fifth page, after the word “vessel,” insert, “to sell such ship or vessel at public sale.” Strike out the word “or” after the word “vessel” in the same line, and insert “and for.” Strike out the word “other” after the word “any” in the same line. After the end of the proviso, at the bottom of the same page, insert, “or of any inhabitant of this state to any lands or plantations belonging to such inhabitant, so that such goods, wares, and merchandizes, be used on the said land or plantations.” Strike out from the word “force,” in the last clause, to the word “to,” and strike out the last line entirely.

The said bill was, with the amendments, sent to the house of delegates by Brice T. B. Worthington, Esq;

The senate adjourns till Monday morning 9 o'clock.