

The paper bills from No. 1, to No. 14, were sent to the house of delegates by Charles Carroll, Barrister, Esq;

The following message was sent to the house of delegates by Charles Carroll of Carrollton, Esq;

By the SENATE, March 25, 1779.

Gentlemen,

AS we have no business before us, we see nothing to prevent our rising this day, and have agreed to adjourn to the third Monday in October next.

By order,

H. RIDGELY, cl. sen.

Messieurs Lethbury and Bayly, from the house of delegates, deliver to the president the following message, accompanied by the two following resolutions:

By the HOUSE of DELEGATES, March 23, 1779.

May it please your honours,

WE are of opinion with you, that the matross companies in the city of Annapolis and Baltimore-town are expensive, and that they might render services in the American army; but as the future circumstances of this state must be attended to, an absolute resolution, to put them on the continental establishment, may be prejudicial to the interest of this community: If the future situation of this state will admit of joining them to the army of the United States, powers for that purpose can be vested in the governor and the council.

The greatest circumspection and oconomy have been shewn by this house in the expenditure of the public money, and we are happy to find in your honours a disposition to retrench every useless expence, and a temper to join with us in alleviating the burthens incurred in the prosecution of the present war. We could wish your honours had been more explicit in your message of yesterday by William Hindman, Esq; in pointing out the particular articles, which it may be expedient to dispose of. The resolutions that will attend this message will shew our ideas on that head.

By order,

J. DUCKETT, cl. ho. del.

By the HOUSE of DELEGATES, March 24, 1779.

RESOLVED, That the governor and council have a discretionary power, and that they be authorized and requested, if they shall judge it necessary, to order the matross companies stationed in the city of Annapolis and Baltimore-town to join our quota of troops serving under his excellency general Washington, and that immediately on their joining the said troops, they be taken into the pay of the United States.

By order,

J. DUCKETT, cl. ho. del.

By the HOUSE of DELEGATES, March 24, 1779.

RESOLVED, That the governor and the council be empowered and requested to select and set apart, out of the Maryland navy, two gallies and one boat, such as they shall think proper, with their guns, tackle, apparel, and furniture, for the use of this state; and that they sell and dispose of the ship Defence, and such of the other gallies and boats belonging to this state, with their and each of their guns, tackle, apparel, and furniture, to the best advantage, as they shall judge necessary; and that, as there is now on hand a larger quantity of gunpowder than is immediately necessary for the use of this state, they be also empowered and requested to sell so much thereof, as they may judge proper, and apply the money arising from the sales of the above articles to the use of this state.

By order,

J. DUCKETT, cl. ho. del.

The resolution of the house of delegates, respecting the matross companies of this state, and the resolution empowering the governor and council to dispose of such of the gallies as they think proper, were severally read and assented to, and sent to the house of delegates by Brice T. B. Worthington, Esq;

Messieurs Polk and Carmichael, from the house of delegates, deliver to the president a bill, entitled, An act for removing sundry original papers in the late prerogative office to the several orphan's courts in this state, and such original papers lodged in the late secretary's office, as relate to suits in the general court for the eastern shore, thus endorsed; By the house of delegates, March 21, 1779: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

By order,

J. DUCKETT, cl. ho. del.

By the house of delegates, March 25, 1779: 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.

Messieurs Doye and Eccleston, from the house of delegates, deliver to the president the journal of accounts, thus endorsed; By the house of delegates, March 25, 1779: Read and will pass.

By order,

J. DUCKETT, cl. ho. del.

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