

Stevenson and Lewis Neth, Esquires, resigned; and that the said commissioners, so appointed, have the same powers as the said William Stevenson and Lewis Neth had, in virtue of the act, entitled, An act to appoint commissioners to state and settle the public accounts.

By order,

F. GREEN, clk.

Messieurs Deye and Chaille, from the house of delegates, deliver to the president a bill, entitled, An act to procure an extra supply of provisions of the bread kind, also waggons and horses, for the use of the continental army, endorsed; "By the house of delegates, July 3, 1780: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

" By order,

F. GREEN, clk.

" By the house of delegates, July 4, 1780: Read the second time by especial order and will pass.

" By order,

F. GREEN, clk."

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

Messieurs Stull and Magruder, from the house of delegates, deliver to the president the engrossed bill No. 22, with the paper bill thereof, which engrossed bill was thus endorsed; "By the house of delegates, July 4, 1780: Read and assented to.

" By order,

F. GREEN, clk."

Messieurs Smoot and Job, from the house of delegates, deliver to the president the bill, entitled, A supplement to the act to procure recruits, &c. with the following message:

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, JULY 4, 1780.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOURS,

WE have agreed to recede from the several amendments proposed by this house to the Supplement to the act to procure recruits to complete the battalions of this state, &c. and which were objected to in your message of yesterday, and have sent the bill to be corrected agreeable to the amendments proposed by us and agreed to by your honours.

By order,

F. GREEN, clk.

Which was read, concurred with, and the bill ordered to be engrossed.

A memorial from commodore Grafon and Beriah Maybury, praying that they might obtain orders for back rations due them, was read, referred to the consideration of the house of delegates, and sent by Charles Carroll, of Carrollton, Esq;

The bill, entitled, An act to enable the treasurer of the western shore to draw and sell bills of exchange, and for an emission of bills of credit if necessary, was read the second time, passed, and, with the following message and resolution, sent to the house of delegates by Thomas Stone, Esq;

BY THE SENATE, JULY 4, 1780.

GENTLEMEN,

BEING very desirous to supply the treasury with money, we have assented to your bill enabling the treasurer to draw and sell bills of exchange, and for an emission if necessary, not because we think it will be most advantageous, but because we have reason to believe it is the best which can be obtained with your consent. We are apprehensive bills of exchange will not be sold to any considerable amount, and that the emission will be delayed for no valuable purpose, at a time when the exhausted state of the treasury requires a speedy supply. We are of opinion, that an immediate emission of bills of credit, upon the funds proposed, would have been much preferable to your scheme, and should have proposed this alteration, did we suppose there was any chance that it would be adopted; but as we have no expectation that our advice on this subject would influence the determination of your house, and wish to avoid every step which might tend to delay the business, we have not proposed any amendments to the bill. We think it will be proper to give the trustees mentioned in the bill notice of the act empowering the treasurer to draw the money out of their hands, and have for this purpose passed the resolve herewith sent, and submit to your consideration, whether it would not be proper to request the governor and council to issue certificates, until money can be obtained, and also to prepare for an emission, that in case it should be necessary, there may be as little delay as possible after the thirty days expire.

By order,

J. MACCUBBIN, clk.

BY THE SENATE, JULY 4, 1780.

RESOLVED, That the governor and council be requested to have printed a sufficient number of copies of the act empowering the treasurer of the western shore to draw and sell bills of exchange, and for a further emission if necessary, and attest the same; and to send such number of the said acts, so attested, to Joshua Johnson, Esq; to be by him transmitted to the trustees in the said act named, and also to the trustees appointed by the act for calling out of circulation certain bills of credit emitted by act of assembly. And also, that a number of the said acts, so attested, be by the governor and council sent to our delegates in congress, to be by them transmitted to such person or persons in France as they shall think proper, to be by them sent to Great-Britain, that those who may be affected by the said act may have notice thereof.

By order,

J. MACCUBBIN, clk.

Messieurs