

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, NOVEMBER, 1781. 9

“ That the precedence of the senators elected by the electors of the senate be regulated according to the order in which they stand in the report of the committee appointed to examine the proceedings of the electors of the senate, and that senators hereafter elected by the senate be considered as junior to the present senators, and their precedence be according to their respective priority of election into the senate.” And the eighth; on which the question being put, the senate were equally divided.

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

T U E S D A Y, November 27, 1781.

THE senate met. Present as on yesterday, except Robert Goldborough, Esq; The proceedings of yesterday were read.

Benedict Edward Hall, Esq; appeared, and after qualifying, by taking the several oaths prescribed by law and the form of government, and subscribing a declaration of his belief in the christian religion, took his seat.

Messieurs Shriver and Duvall, from the house of delegates, deliver to the president the following resolution:

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, NOVEMBER 27, 1781.

RESOLVED, That the commissioners for the sale of confiscated British property be requested to postpone, at this time, the sale of the property, real and personal, formerly belonging to the company called the Nottingham company.

By order,

F. GREEN, clk.

Which was read.

Thomas Stone, Esq; has leave of absence.

The following message was sent to the house of delegates by Benedict Edward Hall, Esq;

BY THE SENATE, NOVEMBER 27, 1781.

GENTLEMEN,

WE are not satisfied of the propriety of postponing the sale of the property formerly belonging to the Nottingham company, according to your resolve of yesterday. We conceive, that very injurious consequences to the public credit will attend this measure. It is our opinion, that the sale ought to be made as soon as possible, in the manner suggested by the commissioners, which will be most advantageous to the state, and will at the same time preserve the public faith, which we apprehend may be endangered by the delay. We are not informed of the reasons which induced you to postpone the sale indefinitely, we therefore wish to confer with you on this subject, that some mode for managing the business, in a manner satisfactory to both houses, may be adopted, unless you should concur with us in opinion, that it will redound most to the benefit of the public to sell the property in question on the terms and in the manner proposed by the commissioners, in which case a short act may this day be passed for the purpose.

By order,

J. MACCUBBIN, clk.

On motion, ORDERED, That the honourable Daniel of St. Thomas Jenifer, Esq; one of the delegates of congress for the last year, be requested to attend in the senate at one o'clock.

Messieurs Quynn and Seney, from the house of delegates, deliver to the president the following message:

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, NOVEMBER 27, 1781.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOURS,

THIS house agree to a conference upon the subject of your message by Benedict Edward Hall, Esquire, and have appointed Mr. Chase, Mr. Hall, and Mr. Stone, to confer with such members as your honours may nominate for that purpose.

By order,

F. GREEN, clk.

Which was read, and the following message, in answer thereto, was sent to the house of delegates by Edward Lloyd, Esq;

BY THE SENATE, NOVEMBER 27, 1781.

GENTLEMEN,

WE have appointed Matthew Tilghman, Charles Carroll, of Carrollton, and Benedict Edward Hall, Esquires, to join the gentlemen named in your message by Messieurs Quynn and Seney.

By order,

J. MACCUBBIN, clk.

In consequence of the order of senate, Daniel of St. Thomas Jenifer, Esq; appeared.

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

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