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purposes therein mentioned, endorsed; by the house of delegates, May 17, 1782: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

“ By order, W. HARWOOD, clk.
“ By the house of delegates, May 17, 1782: Read the second time by especial order and will pass.
“ By order, W. HARWOOD, clk.”

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

S A T U R D A Y, MAY 18, 1782.

THE senate met. Present as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read. Messieurs Worthington and Waggaman, from the house of delegates, deliver to the president the engrossed bill, No. 2, with the paper bill thereof, which engrossed bill was thus endorsed; “ By the house of delegates, May 18, 1782: Read and assented to.

“ By order, W. HARWOOD, clk.”
The bill, entitled, An act for erecting a new court-house and gaol in Queen-Anne's county, &c. was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

The bill, entitled, An act to prevent the exportation of bread, &c. was read the second time by especial order and will pass.

A petition from sundry inhabitants of Baltimore county, was read, referred to the consideration of the house of delegates, and, with the above bill, sent by James M'Henry, Esq;

Daniel Carroll, Esq; appeared in the senate, and after qualifying as directed by the form of government and law, and subscribing a declaration of his belief in the christian religion, took his seat.

Messieurs Dennis and Morris, from the house of delegates, deliver to the president the following resolution:

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, MAY 18, 1782.

RESOLVED, That the commissioners for the preservation and sale of confiscated British property, be directed to postpone the sale of a tract of land lying in Worcester county, late belonging to Anthony Bacon, until the general assembly shall order therein.

By order, W. HARWOOD, clk.
Sundry letters from his Excellency general Washington, the financier, and the secretary of foreign affairs, with several enclosures, were read, and sent to the house of delegates by Richard Barnes, Esq;

The senate adjourns till 3 o'clock.

P O S T M E R I D I E M.

The senate met.

The resolution postponing the sale of Anthony Bacon's land, was read, assented to, and sent to the house of delegates by William Hindman, Esq;

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

S U N D A Y, May 19, 1782.

THE senate met. Present as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read. Messieurs Stull and Chapline, from the house of delegates, deliver to the president a bill, entitled, An act for the protection of our bay trade, and to defend our citizens exposed to plunder by the enemy's barges, endorsed; “ By the house of delegates, May 18, 1782: Read the first and second time by especial order and will pass.

“ By order, W. HARWOOD, clk.”
With the following letter, intended to be sent to the commander of the French navy at York in Virginia:

THE general assembly of the state of Maryland, being determined, as far as it lies in their power, to put a stop to the depredations committed by the enemy's barges on the property of the inhabitants, living upon or near the shores of this bay, and of the navigable rivers emptying themselves into it, have resolved, to equip and man, with the utmost dispatch, four barges, each mounting two pieces of cannon, and carrying, in the whole, two hundred and fifty men.

As the commonwealth of Virginia is as deeply interested as this state, in repressing the depredations of the enemy's pickeroons, and the annoyance by them given to the trade and to the inhabitants of both states, we intend to send a member of the general assembly to Richmond, to concert with that government a combined operation of what naval force each state can speedily equip against the common enemy. But we are fearful, that without the concurrence and cooperation of some part of the French marine stationed at York, the combined efforts of Maryland and Virginia will not have the full and desired success.

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