

# VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, FEBRUARY 1777.

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By the HOUSE of DELEGATES, February 12, 1777.

May it please your honours,

THIS house are of opinion from the best information they are able to get, that the Virginia regiment need not move forward towards Somerset and Worcester counties, but be immediately dismissed from that service, and proceed to the camp, or where ever the honourable congress may have directed; and that brigadier-general Smallwood be requested to give the thanks of the general assembly to the commanding officer and the whole corps, for their readiness to aid the civil authority in suppressing the insurgents in Somerset and Worcester counties.

By order,

G. DUVALL, cl. ho. del.

On motion, RESOLVED, That a committee be appointed to report proper resolutions to prevent a communication of the small-pox; and Mr. Galloway, Mr. Sheredine, and Mr. Ford, were appointed a committee for that purpose.

Adjourned till 3 o'clock.

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

The house met.

Charles Carroll, Esq; from the Senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the following message:

By the S E N A T E, February 12, 1777.

Gentlemen,

WE concur in that part of your message by Messieurs Ford and Bond, which suggests the expediency of dismissing the Virginia regiment from the particular service of this state; and agree that general Smallwood be requested to give such orders to the said regiment, as he, in pursuance of the instructions from the honourable congress, may think proper; but we cannot acquiesce in that part of your message proffering the thanks of the general assembly of Maryland to regular troops, for having merely marched hither in consequence of orders from the supreme authority.

By order,

R. RIDGELY, cl. sen.

Which was read.

Mr. Hall from the committee of elections and privileges, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker the following report:

By the COMMITTEE of ELECTIONS and PRIVILEGES.

YOUR committee beg leave to report to the honourable house of delegates, That by the certificate of the judge who held the election for Saint Mary's county, Messieurs John Hatton Read, James Jordan, William Thomas, and Athanasius Ford, appear to be duly elected and returned.

That by the certificate of the judge who held the election for Kent county, Messieurs Peregrine Lethrbury, Isaac Perkins, John Maxwell, and Donaldson Yeates, appear to be duly elected and returned.

That by the certificate of the judge who held the election for Anne-Arundel county, Messrs. Thomas Tillard, Rezin Hammond, John Hall, and Benjamin Galloway, appear to be duly elected and returned.

That by the certificate of the judge who held the election for Calvert county, Messieurs William Fitzhugh, John Mackall, jun. William Allein, and Richard Parran, appear to be duly elected and returned; but your committee are informed that Mr. John Mackall, jun. is not an inhabitant or resident of Calvert county.

That by the certificate of the judge who held the election for Charles county, Messieurs Joseph Hanson Harrison, Thomas Semmes, Zephaniah Turner, and Alexander M<sup>r</sup>Person, appear to be duly elected and returned.

That by the certificate of the judges who held the election for Somerset county, Messieurs Henry Lowes, William Horsey, William Stone, and John Waters, appear to be duly elected and returned; but your committee observe, that by the depositions of several witnesses lately before the house, it appears there were sundry persons who came armed on the day of the election to Princess Anne Town, where the said election was held.

That no return hath yet come to hand from Dorchester county.

That by the certificate of the judges who held the election for Baltimore county, Messieurs Thomas Cockey Deye, Charles Ridgely, John Stevenson, and Peter Shepherd, appear to be duly elected and returned.

That by the certificate of the judges who held the election for Cecil county, Messieurs Richard Bond, John Veazy, jun. Joseph Gilpin, and Patrick Ewing, appear to be duly elected and returned.

That by the certificate of the judges who held the election for Prince-George's county, Messieurs Walter Bowie, David Craufurd, Osborn Sprigg, and Jeremiah Magruder, appear to be duly elected and returned.

That it appears by a certificate signed by Messieurs William Trippe, Jeremiah Banning, and Joseph Bewley, that the judges appointed for Talbot county, by the late convention, either

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