

faithfully, according to the law, until you shall be duly discharged from your said office. Given under the seal of the state of Maryland, this day of seventeen hundred and seventy-seven.
Witness C. D. Chancellor.

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

S A T U R D A Y, March 15, 1777.

THE house met. Present the same members as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read: Mr. Downes appeared in the house. Mr. Jordan has leave of absence till Monday the 24th instant. Mr. O. Sprigg and Mr. J. Sprigg have leave of absence till Monday next. Mr. J. F. Chase has leave of absence till Wednesday next. Mr. S. Chase's attendance for the remainder of the day is dispensed with.

A memorial from Francis Baker of Talbot county, was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

Adjourned till 3 o'clock.

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

The house met, and was called over, and all members appeared as in the forenoon, except Mr. Jordan, Mr. O. Sprigg, Mr. J. Sprigg, Mr. J. T. Chase, and Mr. S. Chase.

On motion, leave given to bring in a bill for the regulation of officers fees. ORDERED, That Mr. Hall, Mr. Smith, Mr. Gilpin, Mr. Kent, Mr. Brice, Mr. Bond, Mr. S. Chase, Mr. Bruff, and Mr. Deye, do prepare and bring in the same.

The house adjourns till Monday morning 9 o'clock.

M O N D A Y, March 17, 1777.

THE house met. Present the same members as on Saturday afternoon, except Mr. Tillard. The proceedings of Saturday were read. Mr. Hammond, Mr. O. Sprigg, Mr. J. Sprigg, and Mr. Mason, appeared in the house. Mr. Alexander Somervill, a delegate returned for Calvert county, appeared in the house, and after having qualified agreeable to the constitution and form of government, in the presence of Mr. Speaker and the other members, he took his seat.

A remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Somerset and Worcester counties, was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

The bill, entitled, An act relating to the courts of justice, was read a second time, and the question put, That the said bill do pass? Carried in the negative.

A F F I R M A T I V E.

Read, Messieurs Galloway, Turner, R. Bond,	Veazy, Gilpin, Ewing, O. Sprigg,	Magruder, S. Chase, Brice,	Gibson, Kent, Bruff,	Bordley, Edelen, Archer,	Smith, J. Sprigg, Schnebely.
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N E G A T I V E.

Messieurs Ford, Lethbury, Hammond, Hall,	Somervill, Henry, Deye, Ridgely,	Stevenson, Shepherd, Bowie, Craufurd,	Wright, Chaille, Mitchell, J. Bond,	T. Bond, Smithson, Downes, Dickinson,	Mason, Williams, Crabb.
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Mr. Gilpin has leave of absence for ten days.

A memorial from Reuben Meriwether of Anne-Arundel county, setting forth, that a great number of sheep, cattle and hogs, in the neighbourhood where he lives, has lately been destroyed by wolves, and praying an act may pass allowing a further reward for killing of wolves, was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

The house being informed that Charles Jacob, appointed messenger to execute the order of Saturday last respecting Mr. Richard Parran, a member of this house, was attending, ORDERED, That he be called to the bar of the house and examined touching the conduct and behaviour of the said Mr. Parran, which was done.

ORDERED, That a committee be appointed to take the deposition of the said Charles Jacob on the subject matter of the said order; and Mr. Galloway, Mr. Lethbury, and Mr. Wright, were appointed a committee for that purpose.

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