

dred and sixty-six pounds five shillings and ten pence, but beg leave to observe, that he has given no credit in that account for any part of his proportion of the last emission: And by account settled to the fifth day of April, a balance remaining in the hands of Thomas Harwood, Esq; treasurer of the western shore, to the amount of sixty-four thousand three hundred and seventy-two pounds four shillings and ten-pence.

Your committee have, during the sitting of the assembly, counted and burnt bills of credit emitted by the resolutions of convention in July one thousand seven hundred and seventy-five, which have been exchanged by the eastern shore treasurer for bills of credit emitted since that time, and appropriated to that use, to the amount of three thousand nine hundred and ninety seven pounds, and also bills of credit exchanged by the western shore treasurer, to the amount of eighteen thousand one hundred and eighty-five pounds fifteen shillings; and for defaced bills of last emissions, to the amount of ten pounds seventeen shillings and six-pence. And there appears by the said settlement with the western shore treasurer, a further balance remaining in his hands of twenty-six thousand nine hundred and sixty-one pounds fifteen shillings, subject to the demands of the holders of the bills of credit emitted by the resolutions of the said convention.

Your committee beg leave to report, that the board of accounts have not their books prepared to lay before them. That they applied by letter to the different committees of observation, and to those who have had public loans, and the disposition of public monies, but having received few returns in answer, and those not till late in the session, have thought proper to defer any enquiry into the proceedings of those departments, until the house should take order therein.

Your committee herewith lay before the house the journal of accounts, together with the accounts settled with the respective treasurers.

All which is submitted to the consideration of the honourable house.

By order of the com.

NICHOLAS HARWOOD, cl.

Which was read.

The journal of accounts was read and assented to.

Adjourned till 3 o'clock.

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

The house met. Mr. Bowie appeared in the house.

Mr. Lethbury from the committee appointed to prepare instructions to the delegates to congress, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a draught, which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Wright brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act for the payment of the journal of accounts, which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

RESOLVED, That the governor be requested to issue his proclamation, commanding all militia officers to train and discipline their several corps, according to the resolutions of the several late conventions of this state.

Great uneasiness having prevailed and still prevailing in Queen-Anne's county, respecting the appointments of field officers in that county, RESOLVED, That the governor and the council be requested to take into consideration the appointments of field officers for the several battalions in Queen-Anne's county, and that the governor, with the advice of the council, appoint and commission such persons as he shall think best qualified for the said offices, and who will best promote the service of this state. Sent to the senate for their concurrence by Mr. Magruder and Mr. Allein.

Joseph Nicholson, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the resolve sent up yesterday by Mr. Perkins and Mr. Maxwell, thus endorsed; "By the senate, April 17, 1777: Read and
"dissented to. By order, R. POTTS, cl. sen."

And the following message:

By the S E N A T E, April 18, 1777.

Gentlemen,

THO' we do not approve, yet we conceive it not within our department to censure the appointment and meeting from the committees from the four New England states, and therefore cannot concur with your resolve upon that subject.

We rely on the wisdom of the congress, to whom it more properly belongs, to interpose in case of any meetings or partial confederations dangerous to the general union.

By order,

R. POTTS, cl. sen.

Which was read.

A petition from the rev. Mr. James Jones Wilmer, was read and referred to the governor and council. Communicated to the governor and council by Mr. Wootton.

The journal of accounts sent to the senate by Mr. Bowie and Mr. Read.

Charles Carroll of Carrollton, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the resolve sent up this day by Mr. Magruder and Mr. Allein, thus endorsed; "By the senate, April 18, 1777:
"Read and assented to. By order, R. POTTS, cl. sen."

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