

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, JUNE, 1777. 115

F R I D A Y, June 20, 1777.

THE house met. Present the same members as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read. Mr. Samuel Hughes, a delegate returned for Washington county, appeared in the house, and after having qualified agreeable to the constitution and form of government, in presence of Mr. Speaker and the other members, he took his seat. Mr. Archer and Mr. William Thomas appeared in the house.

Mr. Sheredine brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a report from the committee appointed to examine into the truth of the facts set forth in the representation of the magistrates of Frederick county, and the petition of George French, late sheriff of said county, which was read and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Ennalls appeared in the house.

On motion, leave given to bring in a bill to reinforce the American army. **ORDERED**, That Mr. S. Chase, Mr. Hall, Mr. J. T. Chase, Mr. Lethrbury, and Mr. Henry, do prepare and bring in the same.

Mr. S. Chase brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act to reinforce the American army, which 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. Mr. Harrison appeared in the house.

Thomas Contee, Esquire, from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker a memorial from Samuel Dorsey and John Onions, thus endorsed; "By the senate, June 20, 1777: Read and referred to the consideration of the house of delegates.

"By order,

A. C. HANSON, cl. sen."

Which was read here and ordered to lie on the table.

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

S A T U R D A Y, June 21, 1777.

THE house met. Present the same members as on yesterday, except Mr. Wright and Mr. Mason. The Proceedings of yesterday were read. Mr. Chaille appeared in the house.

Brice Thomas Beale Worthington, Esquire, from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker a petition from Robert Riddle of Baltimore-Town, thus endorsed; "By the senate, June 21, 1777: Read and referred to the consideration of the house of delegates.

"By order,

A. C. HANSON, cl. sen."

Which was read here and ordered to lie on the table.

On motion, leave given to bring in a bill to punish forestalling and engrossing, and for other purposes. **ORDERED**, That Mr. S. Chase, Mr. Hall, Mr. J. T. Chase, Mr. Lethrbury, and Mr. Henry, do prepare and bring in the same.

Mr. S. Chase brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act to punish forestalling and engrossing, and for other purposes; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Gilpin, Mr. Beall, Mr. Wootton, Mr. Hughes, and Mr. Veazy, are appointed a committee of manufactories.

Adjourned till 3 o'clock.

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

The house met.

The house took into consideration the bill, entitled, An act for the better security of the government, and on motion, the question was put, That the last clause of the said bill, which follows in these words, "And be it enacted, that every minister of the gospel of any congregation or denomination of christians, who shall act as such, shall take, repeat, and subscribe the said oath, or make, repeat, and subscribe the said declaration, before some judge or justice on or before the tenth day of August next; and in case of neglect, shall be for ever disqualified to act as such, and shall forfeit and pay the sum of one hundred pounds current money, for every time he shall thereafter act as a minister, or teacher or preacher of the gospel;" be struck out? Resolved in the affirmative.

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

W. Thomas,	Semmes,	Stevenson,	Kent,	J. Bond,	J. T. Chase,
Ford,	Turner,	Shepherd,	Chaille,	F. Bond,	Beall,
Perkins,	Winder,	R. Bond,	Edelen,	Archer,	Hughes,
Hall,	Ennalls,	Veazy,	P. Thomas,	Smithson,	Williams,
Galloway,	Henry,	Gilpin,	Schraver,	Downes,	Burgefs.
Allein,	Deye,	Banning,			N E G A.