

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, OCTOBER, 1777. 29

Certificates of the qualification of the sergeant at arms and door-keeper, were produced and filed. The house having gone through the bill, entitled, An act for the regulation of officers fees, the question was put, That the said bill do pass? Resolved in the affirmative:

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| Messrs | Read, Plowden, Lethrbury, Maxwell, Gresham, | J. Hall, Turner, Semmes, M'Pherson, Maddux, | L. Wilson, Henry, Daffin, Veazey, Ward, | Alexander, Hyland, Contee, Brice, Quynn, | Benson, Gibson, Goldsbrough, Edelen, Young, | Sheredine, Smith, Chafe, Sprigg, Hughes. |
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| Messrs. | Ford, Hammond, Worthington, Tillard, | Firzhugh, Somervill, Chew, | Strawbridge, Winder, Smoot, | Deye, Stevenson, West, | Magruder, Bond, Smithson, | Douglass, Burgess, Williams. |
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The house adjourns till to-morrow morning 9 o'clock.

W E D N E S D A Y, December 3, 1777.

THE house met. Present the same members as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read.

A memorial from Joseph Ashmead, on behalf of Margaret Cummins, executrix of Robert Cummins, late of Baltimore county, deceased, was presented to the house and read, setting forth, That, in consequence of an advertisement published pursuant to a resolution of the general assembly of the 14th of April last, the deceased, in his life-time, agreed to furnish, and accordingly did furnish, the troops in this state with provisions, until the sixth day of July last, but that no stipulated price, at which the same should be furnished, was agreed on; and therefore praying the general assembly to direct what allowance should be made to him, on behalf of the deceased, for his trouble and expences in procuring and furnishing provisions as aforesaid. The house, taking the said memorial into consideration, RESOLVED, That the same be referred to the board of auditors, who are hereby empowered and directed to make such allowance to the memorialist, on behalf of the deceased, as upon consideration of the cost and trouble the deceased in his life-time was at, in procuring and furnishing provisions for the troops, shall appear reasonable and satisfactory, and make report thereof to the general assembly, for their examination and controul.

The committee of elections and privileges report, That by the certificate of the sheriff of Calvert county, it appears, that an election was held on Thursday the 20th day of November last, for one delegate to represent the said county in general assembly, in the room of, Mr. John Mackall, and that Samuel Chew, Esq; was duly elected; that by the certificate of the mayor and aldermen of the city of Annapolis, it appears, that an election was held, on Monday the first day of December instant, for one delegate to represent the said city in general assembly, in the room of Samuel Chafe, Esq; due notice having been given according to the constitution and form of government of this state, and that Allen Quynn, Esq; was then declared duly elected.

Mr. Hughes has leave of absence.

The bill, entitled, An act for the regulation of officers fees, sent to the senate by Mr. Daffin and Mr. Quynn. They return and acquaint Mr. Speaker they delivered the bill.

The engrossed bills, No 7, 8, read and assented to, and sent to the senate with the paper bills thereof, by Mr. Read and Mr. Smoot.

The bill, entitled, A supplementary act to an act, entitled, An act to establish orphans courts in the several counties of this state, read a second time, by an especial order, passed, and sent to the senate, by Mr. Wright and Mr. L. Wilson. They return and acquaint Mr. Speaker they delivered the bill.

Charles Carroll of Carrollton, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker a letter from his excellency Henry Laurens, Esq; president of congress, of the 28th of November last, enclosing an address of the 17th, and resolutions of the 22d of November last, from that honourable body; and also the articles of confederation and perpetual union between the United States; which were severally read, and ordered to lie on the table.

T. Stone, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the paper bills, No. 7, 8, severally endorsed; "By the senate, December 3, 1777: The engrossed bill, whereof this is the original, read and assented to.

"By order,

A. C. HANSON, cl. sen."

S. Wilson, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. speaker the following resolve:

By the S E N A T E, December 3, 1777.

RESOLVED, That the governor and the council be empowered and directed to buy up such quantities of beef and pork, upon the eastern shore, as they may think necessary for the use of this state;