

The house having gone through the bill, it was committed for amendments.

The bill, entitled, A supplement to the act for the regulation of officers fees, read a second time, passed, and sent to the senate by Mr. Benson and Mr. Semmes. They return and acquaint Mr. Speaker they delivered the bill.

The house taking into consideration the amendments proposed by the senate to the bill, entitled, An act to amend the law to punish forestalling and engrossing, &c. the first amendment was agreed to, and the question being put on the second, passed in the affirmative.

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

Messrs.	Ford,	Gresham,	Maddux,	Brice,	Wright,	Smith,
	Read,	J. Hall,	L. Wilson,	Quynn,	Edelen,	Chase,
	Plowden,	Turner,	Smoot,	Benson,	Young,	Sprigg,
	Lethbrury,	Semmes,	Ward,	Kent,	A. Hall,	Crabb.
	Maxwell,	Forbes,	Alexander,	Earle,	Douglafs,	

N E G A T I V E.

Messrs.	Hammond,	Fitzhugh,	Strawbridge,	Deye,	Magruder,	Smithson,
	Worthington,	Somervill,	Winder,	Stevenson,	Contee,	Burgefs,
	Tillard,	Chew,	Henry,	West,	Bond,	Williams.

The bill was ordered to be engrossed.

The order of the day for taking into consideration the several resolutions and recommendations of congress, being read, the same was postponed till to-morrow.

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

W E D N E S D A Y, December 10, 1777.

THE house met. Present the same members as on yesterday, except Mr. Veazey. The proceedings of yesterday were read. Mr. Charles Ridgely, a delegate returned for Baltimore county, appeared in the house, and after being duly qualified, he took his seat. Mr. L. Wilson has leave of absence.

ORDERED, That Mr. Earle be added to the committee of accounts.

The petition of Daniel Melfon was read a second time, and granted.

Sent to the senate by Mr. Sprigg and Mr. Winder.

Mr. Maddux brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act of indemnity, which was read the first time, and ordered to lie on the table.

Charles Carroll of Carrollton, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the petition of Daniel Melfon, thus endorsed, "By the senate, December 10, 1777: Read and assented to."

"By order, A. C. HANSON, cl. sen."

Communicated to the governor and the council by Mr. Winder.

RESOLVED, That this house will, on Friday next, take into consideration the salaries to be allowed to the chancellor, judges, and other civil officers of government.

The order of the day, for taking into consideration the several resolutions and recommendations of congress, being read, the house took the same into consideration, and, after some debate thereon, ORDERED, That the further consideration thereof be postponed till Saturday next.

RESOLVED, That this house will, on Friday next, take into consideration the articles of confederation and perpetual union between the United States of America.

The engrossed bill, No. 9, read and assented to, and sent to the senate, with the paper bill thereof, by Mr. Magruder and Mr. Alexander.

Turbutt Wright, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the paper bill, No. 9, thus endorsed; "By the senate, December 10, 1777: the engrossed bill, whereof this is the original, read and assented to."

By order, A. C. HANSON, cl. sen."

The bill, entitled, An act of indemnity, being read a second time by an especial order, was committed for amendments.

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

T H U R S D A Y, December 11, 1777.

THE house met. Present the same members as on yesterday, except Mr. L. Wilson. The proceedings of yesterday were read. Mr. Bowie appeared in the house.

On reading and considering the petitions of Hugh Dean and Hamilton Callilo, two of the insurgents of Somerset county, ORDERED, That the said petitions be referred to the governor and the council, with full power to make such order thereon as they think fit and proper. Sent to the senate by Mr. Douglafs and Mr. Smithson.

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