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consideration the said articles, and had come to some resolutions thereon, but not having time to go through the same, had directed him to move for leave to sit again. **RESOLVED**, That this house will, on to-morrow, again resolve itself into a committee of the whole, to consider further of the same.

William Hindman, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the bill, entitled, An additional supplement to the acts for assessment of property; the bill, entitled, An act to revive the proceedings of Queen-Anne's county court; and, the bill, entitled, An act relating to the qualification of jurors; severally endorsed; "By the senate, December 15, 1777: Read the first" and second time by an especial order, and will pass.

"By order,

A. C. HANSON, cl. sen."

Which were ordered to be engrossed.

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

T U E S D A Y, December 16, 1777.

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

On motion, leave given to bring in a bill to enable the inhabitants of Harford county to chuse a place for a court-house and prison for said county, to appoint commissioners to lay out the ground, erect said buildings, and for other purposes. **ORDERED**, That Mr. Wilson, Mr. Bond, Mr. Smithson, Mr. J. Hall, and Mr. Henry, do prepare and bring in the same.

The resolves of Saturday last on the recommendatory resolutions of congress of the 22d of November, sent to the senate for concurrence by Mr. Winder and Mr. M'Pherson.

The resolutions of Friday last relating to the salaries to be allowed to the chancellor, judges, &c. sent to the senate for concurrence by Mr. Smoot and Mr. Brice.

Mr. Smith has leave of absence.

The following message being prepared; was sent to the senate by Mr. Henry Wilson and Mr. Ford:

By the **HOUSE** of **DELEGATES**, December 16, 1777.

May it please your honours,

THIS house having taken into their consideration the resolve of congress of the 22d of November, 1777, recommending to the states of Virginia, Maryland, and North-Carolina, the appointment of commissioners to meet at Fredericksburg in Virginia on the 15th day of January next, in order to regulate and ascertain the price of labour, manufactures, internal produce, and commodities imported from foreign parts, military stores excepted, and also to regulate the charges of innholders, are of opinion that the said recommendation ought to be complied with, and accordingly propose to appoint five commissioners, with a power to any three or more of them to act in conjunction with the commissioners of the other states, for the above purposes;

Should your honours concur with us in opinion, this house will immediately proceed to ballot for the commissioners to be appointed by this state. The list of gentlemen proposed to be ballotted for is herewith sent.

By order,

G. DUVALL, cl. ho. del;

The house took into consideration the bill, entitled, An act of indemnity, and, on motion, the question was put, That the following clause, "And be it enacted, that all militia commissions which have been issued in virtue of the powers delegated by the governor for the purpose of nominating and appointing officers, are and shall be ratified, confirmed, and deemed good and valid," be struck out of the said bill? Determined in the negative:

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

Messrs. Tillard, Fitzhugh, Burges, Williams, Crabb.

N E G A T I V E:

Messrs.	Ford,	Worthington,	Strawbridge,	Ward,	Benson,	Bond,
	Read,	Somervill,	Winder,	Alexander,	Kent,	A. Hall,
	Plowden,	Chew,	Smoot,	West,	Earle,	Smithson,
	Lethrbury,	Turner,	Henry,	Contee,	Edelen,	Smith,
	Maxwell,	M'Pherson,	Deye,	Brice,	Young,	Chase,
	J. Hall,	Forbes,	Ridgely,	Quynn,	H. Wilson,	Sprigg.
	Hammond,	Maddux,	Stevenson,			

The house having gone through the bill, and the question being put on it, passed in the affirmative.

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