

54 VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, OCTOBER 1777.

The committee, to whom the bill, entitled, An act to ascertain the allowance of justices, jurymen, witnesses, and constables, was committed for amendments, bring in and deliver to Mr. Speaker the said bill, which was read with the amendments, and the question being put on it, passed in the affirmative.

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

Messieurs	Ford,	Worthington,	Forbes,	Ward,	Kent,	Smithson,
	Read,	Tillard,	Maddux,	Alexander,	Earle,	Chafe,
	Plowden,	Fitzhugh,	Strawbridge,	West,	Edelen,	Sprigg,
	Lethrbury,	Somervill,	Winder,	Contee,	Young,	Burgess,
	Maxwell,	Chew,	Smoot,	Brice,	H. Wilson,	Williams,
	J. Hall,	Turner,	Henry,	Quynn,	A. Hall,	Crabb.
	Hammond,	M'Pherson,	Stevenson,	Benson,		

N E G A T I V E.

Messieurs Deye, Ridgely, Bond.

Sent to the senate by Mr. Burgess and Mr. Stevenson. They return and acquaint Mr. Speaker they delivered the bill.

The engrossed bills, No. 14, 15, 16, read and assented to, and sent to the senate, with the paper bills thereof, by Mr. Quynn and Mr. Sprigg.

George Plater, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the several resolutions of this house on the recommendatory resolutions of congress of the 22d of November last, and the resolve of this day sent up by Mr. Ward and Mr. Strawbridge, severally endorsed; "By the senate, December 17, 1777: Read and assented to.

"By order,

A. C. HANSON, cl. sen."

The said resolutions and resolve were communicated to the governor and the council by Mr. Earle.

The report on the petition of John Dorsey was read and referred till next session of assembly.

William Paca, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the bill, entitled, An act to ascertain the allowance of justices, jurymen, witnesses, and constables, thus endorsed; "By the senate, December 17, 1777: Read the first and second time by an especial order and will pass.

"By order,

A. C. HANSON, cl. sen."

Which was ordered to be engrossed.

The resolve of the third instant by Samuel Wilson, Esq; and the resolve of yesterday by William Hindman, Esq; were severally read and assented to; so endorsed and sent to the senate by Mr. Plowden and Mr. Crabb.

The address of Mr. Abraham Vanbibber being read a second time, ORDERED, That the same be referred to the committee appointed to examine the accounts and proceedings of the board of auditors, &c. who are to enquire into the facts therein contained, and report the same, together with their opinion thereon to the house.

On motion, RESOLVED, That this house will, on Friday next, take into consideration the state of the navy.

The report on the petition of Robert Richardson was read and referred till the next session of assembly.

On reading the letter from Joseph Dashiell, Esq; of Worcester county, ORDERED, That Mr. J. Hall, Mr. Lethrbury, Mr. Chafe, and Mr. Henry, be a committee to join a committee of the senate to take the same into consideration, and report their opinion thereon to the house.

The following message being prepared, was sent to the senate by Mr. Young and Mr. Smithson:

By the HOUSE of DELEGATES, December 17, 1777.

May it please your honours,

THIS house have appointed a committee to consider a letter of colonel Dashiell and other papers relative to the seizure of salt and provisions in Worcester county, by order of the continental agents, and report their opinion thereon, and are desirous that some members of your house should be added to that committee.

By order,

G. DUVALL, cl. ho. del.

ORDERED, That this house will, on Friday next, take into consideration the amendments proposed by the senate to the bill, entitled, An act for the better security of the government.

Charles Carroll of Carrollton, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the following message:

By the SENATE, December 17, 1777.

Gentlemen,

THIS house have appointed Charles Carroll of Carrollton and Thomas Contee, Esqrs. to join the committee of your house appointed for the purpose mentioned in your message of this day by Messrs. Young and Smithson.

By order,

A. C. HANSON, cl. sen.

Which was read.

RESOLVED,