

In the 7th line, strike out, " of the recruits raised as aforesaid."

In the 10th line, strike out " recruits or."

After the word " age, at the end of the 13th line, insert, " and such as are excused from bearing arms on account of bodily infirmity."

Between the words, " by," and " law," in the 14th line, insert " by this act or any," and between the words " made" and " should," in same line, insert " except those who have found or may find substitutes to serve in the continental army for three years, or during the war."

In the 18th line, between the words, " aged" and " and" insert " excused," and between the words " persons" and " who" insert " except as aforesaid."

At the end of the 8th page, insert " while on service."

At the beginning of the 9th page, insert the following clause :

" *And be it enacted,* That the governor and council are hereby authorized and required to take the most effectual means of expediting the march of the several recruits procured by virtue of this or any former law to such place of rendezvous as may be appointed by the commander in chief of the American army, or in case no such place shall be appointed, to such place where the troops belonging to this state, now in the continental service, may be stationed.

" *And be it enacted,* That the lieutenants of the several counties are hereby empowered and required to provide quarters and provisions for the several recruits that may be raised by this state, until the said recruits shall be forwarded to the place of rendezvous as aforesaid."

By order,

R. RIDGELY, cl. sen.

Turbutt Wright, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the bill, entitled, An act empowering Robert Richardson and Thomas Kemp to sell and dispose of the real estate of Philip Wetherell deceased, &c. thus endorsed; " By the senate, April 6, 1778: Read the first time " and ordered to lie on the table.

" By order,

R. RIDGELY, cl. sen.

" By the senate, April 7, 1778: Read the second time and will pass with the amendment here-  
" with sent.

" By order,

R. RIDGELY, cl. sen."

Amendment proposed. Strike out from the word " and," in the 11th line of the 3d page, to the word " aforesaid," in the 15th line of the same page, and insert as follows: " to and distributed among the said Robert Richardson and Thomas Kemp, and the other creditors of the said Philip Wetherell, in proportion to their several claims made appear to the said orphans court, and the balance, if any, to be applied by the said court according to law."

By order,

R. RIDGELY, cl. sen.

Which said amendments to the bills aforesaid were severally read and ordered to lie on the table.

The house having received information of the death of Kinsey Johns, register of wills for Calvert county, a message was sent to the senate by Mr. Winder and Mr. Shepherd, in the words following :

By the HOUSE of DELEGATES, April 7, 1778.

May it please your honours,

THIS house have been informed of the death of Mr. Kinsey Johns, register of wills for Calvert county, and are desirous of appointing another in his room. Should your honours concur with us, the joint ballot of both houses may be taken this afternoon, for the purpose of recommending another to be commissioned by the governor; and Mr. Kent and Mr. Crabb will attend the gentlemen of your house to examine the ballot boxes. The name of the gentleman proposed to be recommended is herewith sent.

By order,

G. DUVALL, cl. ho. del.

Mr. Burgess and Mr. Thomas appeared in the house.

Thomas Stone, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker a message, which was read in the following words :

By the SENATE, April 7, 1778.

Gentlemen,

WE are ready to ballot for a register of wills for Calvert county, and have appointed Thomas Contee and William Hindman, Esqrs. a committee to examine the ballot boxes, in conjunction with the members nominated by your house.

By order,

R. RIDGELY, cl. sen.

The ballots were thereupon deposited in the ballot box, and the gentlemen named to strike retired, and after some time they return and report, that they had, with a committee of the senate, examined the ballots of both houses, and that Mr. Francis King was unanimously elected. RESOLVED therefore, That the said Francis King be and is hereby appointed register of wills for Calvert county.

Mr. Quynn delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act to revive and continue the acts of assembly therein mentioned.

Adjourned till next day 9 o'clock.

W E D N E S.