

Mr. Wilson appeared in the house. Mr. H. Ridgely, Mr. Hammond, and Mr. Keene, have leave of absence until Tuesday next; and Mr. Magruder hath leave of absence until Wednesday next.

The petition of William Gould was read a second time and referred to the consideration of the members of Cecil county, who are appointed a committee to report on the same.

The house took into consideration the petition of Charles Carroll, (which yesterday had a second reading and ordered to lie on the table) when the following was proposed: "The house having taken into consideration the petition of Charles Carroll, Esq; and patiently heard the arguments adduced to support the same, RESOLVED, That it is the opinion of this house, that a repeal of the tender act would be highly injurious to the cause of America, destructive to public credit, and would prove the ruin of many individuals, by obliging them to part with their lands and other effects at a very low price for gold and silver, to satisfy the demands of their creditors, and therefore that the said petition ought to be rejected; and although the language of the said petition, and the paper delivered to this house by the petitioner in support of the same, is highly indecent and justly exceptionable, yet this house are of opinion, that petitions ought not to be discouraged, and therefore, and in consideration of the advanced age of the petitioner, pass over the language without further notice." The question was put, for striking out from the words "and would," to the words "their creditors?" Carried in the negative.

N E G A T I V E.

Messieurs	Ford,	Worthington,	Dent,	C. Ridgely,	Brown,	Wilson,
	Sewell,	Hall,	Smoot,	Evans,	Carmichael,	Bond,
	Thomas,	H. Ridgely,	Eccleston,	Gantt,	Chaille,	Norris,
	Mackall,	Reynolds,	Woolford,	Magruder,	Sturgis,	Mason,
	Gresham,	Chew,	Deye,	R. Goldsborough,	J. Hanson,	Schnebely,
	Wilmer,	Harrison,	Stevenson,	Gibson,	Fischer,	Burgess.

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

Messrs.	Lloyd,	Jackson,	Ward,	Brice,	Bordley,	Hughes,
	Maccubbin,	Strawbridge,	Job,	H. Goldsborough,	Chase,	Bayly.
	Maddux,	Veazey,	Quynn,	Bruff,		

The question was then put on the resolve, and carried unanimously in the affirmative.

On a second reading of his excellency the governor's letter respecting captain Garretson, the same was referred to the consideration of Mr. Bruff, Mr. Maddux, and Mr. J. Hanson, who are appointed a committee to enquire into the same, and report their opinion thereon.

William Hindman, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker letters to his excellency the governor, one from the marine committee of congress, the other from Boston, both which were read and ordered to lie on the table.

The house adjourns till 4 o'clock.

P O S T M E R I D I E M.

The house met.

General Smallwood's letter was read a second time, and referred to Mr. Goldsborough, Mr. Hall, Mr. Chase, Mr. Thomas, and Mr. Maddux, who are appointed a committee to consider the same, and report their opinion thereon.

A petition from Benjamin Cawood, jun. a petition from the rev. Mr. M'Pherson, and petitions of people in several parishes of Charles county relative to the protestant church, were read and ordered to lie on the table.

George Plater, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the bill, entitled, An act to prohibit for a limited time the exportation of wheat, flour, rye, Indian corn, rice, bread, beef, pork, bacon, live stock, peas, beans, oats, and other victual, thus endorsed; "By the senate, November 13, 1778: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order, R. RIDGELY, cl. sen.

"By the senate, November 14, 1778: Read the second time by especial order and will pass with the proposed amendments.

"By order, R. RIDGELY, cl. sen."

Amendments proposed. After the word "board," in the sixteenth line of the second page, insert "contrary to this act." After the word "laden," in the nineteenth line of same page, insert, "upon the master of such ship or vessel refusing to produce proper clearances." After the word "lawful," in the sixteenth line of the fourth page, strike out the words "to and for," and insert "for the governor and council to permit any inhabitant or inhabitants of this state, or." In the last line of the fifth page, strike out "March," and insert "May."

The amendments were read and ordered to lie on the table.

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

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