

Mr. Key and Mr. Keene appeared in the house. Mr. Charles Ridgely hath leave of absence until Tuesday next, Mr. Jackson until Monday next, and Mr. Gibson until Wednesday next.

On motion, leave given to bring in a bill to ascertain the allowance to magistrates. ORDERED, That the committee appointed to bring in the fee bill do prepare and bring in the same.

Charles Carroll, Barrister, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the letter from the marine committee, thus endorsed; "By the senate, November 17, 1778: Read and concurred with."

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

Robert Goldsborough, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker a letter from Henry Laurens, Esq; to the governor, with several resolves; which were severally read and ordered to lie on the table. ORDERED, That the same be taken into consideration to-morrow morning.

Charles Carroll of Carrollton, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the resolution of the 16th instant, respecting John Manning's petition, thus endorsed; "By the senate, November 18, 1778: Read and assented to."

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

Thomas Stone, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker a petition of Frederick Herbaugh, of Baltimore county, thus endorsed; "By the senate, November 18, 1778: Read and referred to the consideration of the house of delegates."

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

Which was read and referred to the committee appointed upon the nonjurors petitions.

Mr. Hall brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act to prevent forestalling and engrossing, and for other purposes therein mentioned; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

ORDERED, That the report upon general Washington's letter be taken into consideration to-morrow morning.

The petitions of the trustees of the poor of Frederick, Charles, and Baltimore counties, were read a second time, and referred to the committee appointed to bring in the supply bill, &c.

Mr. Magruder appeared in the house.

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

T H U R S D A Y, November 19, 1778.

THE house met. All present as on yesterday, except Mr. Jackson, Mr. C. Ridgely, and Mr. Gibson. The proceedings of yesterday were read. Mr. Hammond and Mr. Smith appeared in the house. Mr. Benson Stainton, a delegate returned for Caroline county, appeared in the house, and after being duly qualified he took his seat. Mr. Crabb hath leave of absence until Monday next, Mr. Strawbridge for a few days, and Mr. Thomas and Mr. Fischer until Thursday next.

William Hindman, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker a petition of sundry nonjurors of Baltimore county; which was referred to the committee upon the nonjurors petitions.

Agreeable to the order of the day, the house took into consideration the report of the committee upon general Washington's letter of the 5th of October, and, after some debate thereon, the question was put, That the house concur therewith? Resolved in the affirmative.

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

Messieurs	Sewell, Gresham, Lloyd, Hall, Maccubbin,	Harrison, Eccleston, Deye, Stevenson, Hammond,	Veazey, Ward, Job, R. Goldsborough,	Bordley, Chaille, J. Hanson, Fischer,	Key, Wilson, Bond, Norris,	Stainton, Schnebely, Bayly, Burgefs.
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Messrs.	Thomas, Mackall, Reynolds,	Chew, S. Hanson, Maddux,	Woolford, Evans, Gantt,	Magruder, Quynn, Brice,	H. Goldsborough, Bruff,	Keene, Smith.
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Samuel Wilson, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker a letter from his excellency, respecting the sale of the schooner General Smallwood, thus endorsed; "By the senate, November 19, 1778: Read and referred to the consideration of the house of delegates."

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

Agreeable to the order of the day, the house took into consideration the letter from Henry Laurens, Esq; to the governor, and the resolves of congress, and after some debate thereon, ORDERED, That Mr. J. Hanson, Mr. R. Goldsborough, Mr. Bruff, Mr. Bordley, Mr. Stainton, Mr. Gantt, and Mr. Gresham, be a committee to enquire into the state and condition of the marine belonging to this state, and make report thereof to the house.

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