

800 hogheads of tobacco have been twice under water lately in the warehouses belonging to the heirs of David Rofs, at the said town. That our crops must therefore be insecure there; consequently unsafe. Whereby an inspection of the first reputation, to which 2500 hogheads used to be brought annually, from a country daily encreasing in people, must become useless. We therefore request a law, empowering some persons to treat with the commissioners of Bladensburg for a lot in the said town, which hath been reserved as a market lot, or to have the same lot valued, and public tobacco warehouses built thereon; because the said lot is on high ground, and convenient for business.

Joseph Walker, jun. Truman Wight, Zachariah Owen, Simon Nicholls, Richard Estep, Abalom Beddo, Samuel Jones, Shadrach Turner, Elisha Wood, Isaac Walker, jun. Aaron Butt, Andrew Heugh, Alexander Jackson, William Tannehill, sen. Walter Beall, Philip Hall, Samuel Harwood, Thomas Wilcoxon, John Evans, Ninian Borret, Thomas Collins, James Collins, W. B. Magruder, Levi Gantt, G. F. Magruder, Elisha Williams, Thomas Cramphin, Josiah Beit, Zephaniah Beall, William Deakins, John Brodic, William Hall, John Beall, Samuel Shekell.

Was read, and the question was put, That the same be referred to the second Tuesday in the next session of assembly, and that the heirs of Dr. Rofs be served with notice thereof? Resolved in the affirmative.

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

Messieurs	Sewell,	Chew,	Hammond,	Magruder,	Bordley,	Potter,
	Thomas,	Dent,	Veazey,	Quynn,	W. M. Beall,	Sprigg,
	Mackall,	Digges,	Ward,	Brice,	Norris,	Hughes,
	Lloyd,	Maddux,	Job,	Goldsbrough,	M <sup>c</sup> Comas,	Bayly,
	Wilmer,	Polk,	Evans,	Gibson,	Mason,	Cramphin,
	Worthington,	Strawbridge,	Gantt,	Brown,	Keene,	Crabb,
	Maccubbin,	Stevenson,	Bowie,	Carmichael,	Stainton,	Burgess.
	H. Ridgely,					

N E G A T I V E.

Messieurs Deye, Bond.

A petition of James Smith, of Frederick county, was read and referred till next session of assembly.

The report upon the petition of Margaret Dorsey was read the second time and concurred with, and referred to the governor and council, with full powers to release the said Margaret Dorsey, on such terms as shall appear to them reasonable.

Mr. Carmichael hath leave of absence.

A petition of Hugh Neill was read and referred to the next session of assembly.

The bill, entitled, An act for the disposal of the free-school lands in Calvert county, and other purposes therein mentioned; was read the second time, passed, and sent to the senate by Mr. Thomas and Mr. Gantt.

The following message:

By the HOUSE of DELEGATES, December 11, 1778.

May it please your honours,

WE are very desirous, for many reasons, to bring this session to a conclusion, and have determined, if possible, to rise on to-morrow. This house propose to adjourn to the first Monday in August next.

By order, J. DUCKETT, cl. ho. del.

Being prepared, was sent to the senate by Mr. Goldsbrough and Mr. Carmichael.

Charles Carroll, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the bill, entitled, An act to encrease the allowance of magistrates, and for other purposes therein mentioned, thus endorsed; "By the senate, December 10, 1778: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

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

"By the senate, December 10, 1778: Read the second time by especial order, and will pass with the amendments proposed.

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

Strike out the 14th line of the first page. In the 17th line strike out "2/6" and insert "1/8." In the 19th line strike out "1/8" and insert "1/5," and strike out the 22d line entirely.

Thomas Stone, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the bill, entitled, An act for the relief of disabled and maimed officers, soldiers, marines and seamen, thus endorsed; "By the senate, December 10, 1778: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

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

"By the senate, December 10, 1778: Read the second time by especial order and will pass.

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

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