

On motion, the question was put, That the nonjurors petitions be now taken into consideration? Carried in the negative.

N E G A T I V E.

Messieurs	Sowell, Thomas, Mackall, Worthington, H. Ridgely, Chew,	Digges, Maddux, Polk, Strawbridge, Veazey,	Ward, Evans, Bowie, H. Goldsborough, Gibson,	Magruder, Quynn, Brice, Bruff, Bordley,	Mason, Keene, Stainton, Potter, Chase,	Sprigg, Hughes, Cramphin, Crabb, Burgefs.
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The question was then put, That they be referred to the next session of assembly? Resolved in the affirmative.

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The petition of the artillery captains was read the second time and granted.

Mr. Brice brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker the following report:

By the COMMITTEE appointed to tax the costs and expences which have accrued on the petition exhibited by John Gibson against John Stevens.

To John Gibson for 7 days attendance and 2 days itinerant charges	-	£. 6 15 0
To William Dawson, sheriff, 2 days attendance and itinerant charges	-	4 10 0
To Charles Gardner 2 days ditto and ditto	-	4 10 0
To Richard Skinner	-	2 5 0
To the clerk of the house of delegates 3 summonses	-	18 0
To sergeant at arms	-	18 0

All which is submitted to the consideration of the honourable house.

Signed per order,

JOHN CALLAHAN, cl. com.

Which was read, together with the report yesterday brought in by Mr. Sprigg, both which were concurred with.

The following resolve:

By the HOUSE of DELEGATES, December 12, 1778.

RESOLVED, That the officers and men of the artillery companies in the service of this state, be allowed the same pay that the officers and men of the continental artillery are entitled to, and that the officers of the said companies have and enjoy the same privileges the officers of the continental artillery enjoy.

By order,

J. DUCKETT, cl. ho. del.

Sent to the senate by Mr. Polk and Mr. Maccubbin.

Mr. Hall brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker the following report, and declaration and instructions:

By the COMMITTEE of both houses appointed to prepare a declaration relative to the confederation, and instructions to our delegates in congress.

YOUR committee in obedience to the honourable house, have agreed to the draught of a declaration, and instructions to our delegates in congress, relative to the confederation, and other important subjects, and have herewith laid a duplicate of the same before the house of delegates, for their consideration.

Signed by order,

JOHN CALLAHAN, cl.

By the STATE of MARYLAND,

A D E C L A R A T I O N.

WHEREAS the general assembly of Maryland hath heretofore resolved, "that the delegates from this state should be instructed to remonstrate to the congress, that this state esteem it essentially necessary for rendering the union lasting, that the United States in congress assembled should