

Which resolve was read and assented to, and returned to the senate by Mr. C. Ridgely and Mr. Lloyd.

ORDERED, That the committee to enquire and report on nonjurors petitions proceed to bring in a report thereon, agreeable to the powers of their appointment, which they have exceeded in a report brought in and not concurred with.

The house adjourns till to-morrow morning 8 o'clock.

## T H U R S D A Y, August 12, 1779.

THE house met. Present as on yesterday, except Mr. Smoot and Mr. Samuel Hanson. The proceedings of yesterday were read.

The bill, entitled, An act to authorise and empower Martha Roundel, of Prince-George's county, to dispose of all the real and personal estate now in her possession, by will, was read the second time, passed, and sent to the senate by Mr. Gantt and Mr. Cramphin.

ORDERED, That Mr. R. Goldborough be added to committee No. 4, and Mr. Charles Ridgely to committee No. 3.

The petition of Charles Greenberry Griffith was read the second time and referred to the next session of assembly.

Mr. S. Chase brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act relating to the officers and soldiers of this state in the American army, and other purposes therein mentioned; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

The resolve concerning the loan-office, of the 9th of August, 1779, was read the second time and agreed to, and sent to the senate by Mr. Smith and Mr. Worthington.

Matthew Tilghman, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the bill, entitled, An act to appoint commissioners to take the depositions of witnesses on the petition of sundry inhabitants of Cræ il county, thus endorsed; "By the senate, August 11, 1779: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

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

" By the senate, August 12, 1779: Read the second time by especial order and will pass.

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

Which was ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Josias Beall brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act for the more effectual preventing foretelling and engrossing, and for other purposes therein mentioned; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

Robert Goldborough, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the resolve concerning the loan-office, thus endorsed; "By the senate, August 12, 1779: Read and assented to.

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

ORDERED, That the clerk of this house furnish the treasurers of the western and eastern shores with a copy of the above resolve.

RESOLVED, That the consideration of allowance to the civil officers be referred to the next session of the general assembly, this house being disposed to grant them liberal but not profuse allowances, and thinking it more proper at the end of their year to consider the compensation necessary to indemnify them from any loss they may have sustained on account of their present allowances being inadequate; and that in the mean time the governor and the council be authorised and requested to draw on the treasurer of the western shore, per advance for such sums of money as may be thought by them necessary.

Adjourned till 4 o'clock.

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

The house met. Mr. Chew hath leave of absence. Mr. Burgess appeared in the house.

Brice Thomas Beale Worthington, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the bill, entitled, An act to authorise and empower Martha Roundel, of Prince-George's county, to dispose of all the real and personal estate now in her possession, by will, thus endorsed; "By the senate, August 12, 1779: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

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

" By the senate, August 12, 1779: Read the second time by especial order and will pass with the amendments proposed.

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

Amendments to the said bill. After the word "real," in the last line but one of the first page, strike out to the word "by," in the first line of the second page, and insert "estate which she now hath possession of in her own right, and to dispose of all the personal estate which she now hath possession of in her own right, or right of her said husband." After the word "estate," in the fourth line of the second page, strike out to the word "shall" in the said fourth line, and insert