

Saturday, November 11, 1779

The House met. Present as on Yesterday. The Proceedings of Yesterday, continued. Mr. Hugh McKim, a Delegate returned for Caroline County, and Mr. John Hunt, a Delegate returned for Dorchester County, appeared in the House, and after being duly qualified they took their seats. Mr. Gibson and Mr. H. Ridgely, have leave of Absence until Wednesday next. Mr. Ruggold hath leave of Absence until Wednesday next. Mr. Bruff hath leave of Absence.

On Motion, Ordered, That Mr. Brife and Mr. Smoot be added to the Committee appointed to state the public Accounts.

Mr. Brauford and Mr. B. Hall have leave of Absence until Monday morning. A Petition from Captain Robert Dushick, Commandor of the Chester, a State Galliey, setting forth, that he was wounded by a Cannon Ball in an Engagement of the Cape with an Enemy's Privateer. That a few Days after he had the additional misfortune of breaking his thigh by a fall into the Vessel's Hold, the Cure of which has been attended with considerable Expence, that as he was in the Service of the Public, he hopes an Allowance may be made to alleviate Part of his losses and Misfortunes; was presented, read the first Time and ordered to lie on the Table.

On Motion, Ordered, That the Order of the Day for taking into Consideration the Petition of Anna Maria Ruggold, and the Petition of Samuel Yalloway, Michael Earle and William Homley, and the Reports thereupon, be read, and they were read accordingly; and it appearing to this House, that the aforesaid Anna Maria Ruggold had made a Compromise with the Executors of Thomas Ruggold, and had entered into a Contract with the Parties, prayed to be ratified and confirmed by an Act of Assembly, Ordered, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for that Purpose. Ordered, That that Part of the said Order which relates to the Petition and Report thereupon of Samuel Yalloway, Michael Earle, and William Homley, be referred to Saturday next.

Ordered, That the Committee appointed on Tuesday last to enquire into and report the State and Condition of the Gallies, do enquire into and report the monthly Expence of the Marine, the annual Expence of the Victualling Office, the Amount of Provisions purchased by that Office in the Year last past, and the monthly Issues for the said Office, the Expence of the public Slop, and the Condition and Benefit arising therefrom to the Public; and further, that the said Committee enquire into and report the annual Expence of the Fortifications and Artillery Companies in the City of Annapolis and Baltimore Town, and the Number of Officers and Privates now belonging to the said Companies; the public Stores in the Possession of the Commissary of Stores, & the probable Expence of the Repair and Outfits of each of the Gallies for a Cruise for a Month or longer Time.

Ordered, That Mr. McKim, Mr. B. Hall, and Mr. Smoot, be a Committee to enquire into the State of the Auditor's Office.

Ordered, That the Committee of Claims do enquire into the State of the Treasury and of the Loan Office, and report thereon. The House adjourns till 9 o'Clock.

Post Meridieum

The House met. Mr. Key hath leave of Absence until Wednesday next.

Mr. Williams hath leave of Absence.

A Bill, entitled, An Act for the Relief of Anna Maria Ruggold, of Kent County, Widow, was read the first Time and ordered to lie on the Table.

The House adjourns till Monday Morning 9 o'Clock.