

Mr. Wootton, Esq. from his Senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker a Memorial of the Corporation of the City of Annapolis, setting forth That Jungles and Dead Streets, and a small Piece of Ground laid out for a Custom House in the said City, are unnecessary and useless, and therefore pray that the Corporation and their Successors may be enabled to sell the same; also praying, that the said Corporation and their Successors may be enabled to lay a Tax not exceeding five Shillings in any one Year for every hundred Pounds of Property within the said City and Precincts thereof for the use of the said City, as the Corporation may think proper: and also praying, that the Power of regulating Ordinaries and Retailers of Spirituous Liquors within the said City and the Precincts thereof may be hereafter vested in the said Corporation, and that the Mayor's Court of the said City may hereafter grant Licenses to Ordinary Keepers and Retailers of Spirituous Liquors within the said City and Precincts, and that no other Taxes be hereafter imposed on any Ordinary Keeper or Retailer of Spirituous Liquors within the said City or the Precincts thereof, thus endorsed; "By the Senate November 16th 1779 Read and referred to the Consideration of the House of Delegates by Order of the Body of the House."

And a Petition of Leonard Gray, a Nonjuror in Prince Georges County; which were ordered to lie on the Table.

Resolved, That Mr. Wootton, Mr. Hoone, and Mr. John Hanson be a Committee to take the Oath on the Petition of the Vestry, Church wardens and Inhabitants, of Christ Church Parish in Calvert County, and the Quarter Pottery Shores.

The House adjourns till To morrow Morning 9 o'clock

Wednesday November 27th 1779

The House met Present as on Yesterday. The Proceedings of Yesterday were read. Mr. Richard Johns, a Delegate returned for Talbot County, appeared, and after being duly qualified he took his Seat in the House.

The Memorial of the Mayor, Recorder, Aldermen and Common Council men of the City of Annapolis, read the first Time and ordered to lie on the Table.

Mr. Fitzhugh brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a Bill, entitled, a Supplement to the Act entitled An Act to make the Bills of Credit issued by Congress, and the Bills of Credit emitted by Acts of Assembly and Resolves of the late Conventions, a legal Tender in all Cases, which was read the first Time and ordered to lie on the Table.

Mr. Hanson brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a Bill, entitled, An Act relating to the Estates of deceased Persons; which was read the first Time and ordered to lie on the Table.

Mr. Bayly hath Leave of Absence until Saturday next

Mr. Marshall delivers to Mr. Speaker the engrossed Bill: 3rd which was read and appointed to, and sent to the Senate with the Paper Bill thereof by Mr. Bayly and Mr. O. Hall.

Mr. O. Hall brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker the following Report:

By the Committee appointed to consider the Letters and Acts of Congress, Letters from the Board of War, and from General Mifflington, and other Officers of the Army Your Committee have taken into Consideration the Letters and Acts of Congress relative to the same, and are of Opinion that the same are of such Importance as to require the utmost Attention of the House of Delegates, and the same ought to be taken into Consideration in a Committee of the whole, at such early Day as may be thought most proper. All which is submitted to the Consideration of the honourable House.

Liquid per Order Committee W. M. Marshall