

18 VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, NOVEMBER, 1779.

Mr. Lethrbury brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act relating to public roads; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

A report from the commissioners appointed by a resolve of the late general assembly, for viewing the roads from the head of Elk to Christiana bridge, and from the head of Back-creek to Hamburg, was preferred and read.

Mr. J. Hall brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act to explain the several acts of assembly heretofore made relative to the enrollment of deeds; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Digges hath leave of absence for a few days.

The petition of the inhabitants of Harford county, relative to public buildings in that county, read the second time and rejected, for want of due notice being given.

Mr. M'Comas hath leave of absence on account of the indisposition of his family.

The petition from sundry persons inhabitants of Somerset county, relative to a school at the head of Back-creek, was read the second time, and the question being put, That the said petition be granted? The yeas and nays being called for by Mr. Winder, they were as follow:

A F F I R M A T I V E.						
Messieurs	Wilmer, Fitzhugh, Smith, Williams,	Winder, E. Hall, S. Hanson, Qyyna,	Chafe, J. Henry, M'Gee, Daffin,	Holland, Beatty, Cramphin,	M'Mechin, Alexander, Barnes,	Sprigg, M'Comas, Archer.
N E G A T I V E.						
Messieurs	Read, Mackall, Lethrbury, W. Steventon,	Worthington, Dashiell, Ward, Job,	Johns, Banning, Magruder, Eccleston,	Ringgold, Keene, Chaille,	Dennis, J. Hanson, Gantt,	Wootton, Deye, Norris.

The house being equally divided on the question, the same was determined in the affirmative by the honourable speaker. Whereupon leave given to bring in a bill agreeable to the prayer of the petition.

The house adjourns till 3 o'clock.

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

The house met.

Charles Carroll, Barrister, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the bill, entitled, An act for the relief of Robert Long, thus endorsed; "By the senate, November 18, 1779: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By the senate, November 20, 1779: Read the second time and will not pass. H. RIDGELY, cl. sen.
"By order, H. RIDGELY, cl. sen."

And a bill, entitled, An act for the furtherance of justice in a particular cause, thus endorsed; "By the senate, November 22, 1779: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table. H. RIDGELY, cl. sen.
"By order, H. RIDGELY, cl. sen."

"By the senate, November 22, 1779: Read the second time by especial order and will pass. H. RIDGELY, cl. sen.
"By order, H. RIDGELY, cl. sen."

Which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

The petition of sundry proprietors of lots and houses in Charles-town, commonly called Pot-tobacco-town, in Charles county, which was referred from last session of assembly, was read and referred to Mr. J. Hall, Mr. S. Hanson, Mr. J. Hanson, Mr. Barnes, and Mr. J. Hery, who are appointed a committee to consider and report thereon.

A petition from David Corbet, of Cæcil county, praying to be recompenced for some injury done his house in Charles-town by the soldiery, was preferred and read, and ordered to lie on the table.

On motion, ORDERED, That the committee appointed to inspect into and report the state and condition of the auditor-general's office, do also enquire into and report the state and condition of the books kept by the commissary of stores and quarter-master.

Mr. Worthington, from the committee appointed to report what laws will expire, &c. delivers to Mr. Speaker the following report:

By the COMMITTEE appointed to enquire what laws have expired, or will expire, during the session, or at the close thereof.

YOUR committee find, that the following laws have expired and will expire in the session, and at the close thereof: An act to prevent counterfeiting the paper money of other colonies, passed June session, 1773. Expired. An act to regulate the militia, passed June session 1777, and the supplementary acts thereto, passed October session, 1777, and March session, 18. An act for the special appointment of inspectors, and for other purposes therein mention, passed October