

Resolved unanimously, That it was the Duty of the General Assembly (as in the
power) with the Requestion of Congress, of the 6th of October last, and to raise if possible Summ
(Million two hundred and seventy thousand Dollars, required by Congress as our Quota, in nine Months
from the first of February next, on which the public Credit, the Existence of our Army, and the
Support of our Liberties so greatly depend

Resolved unanimously, That it is the Opinion of this House, that it is improper to attempt
to raise the whole of an Quota ^{by Taxes}, and that it is impracticable to collect by Taxes the
Monthly Sum of One Million five hundred and eighty thousand Dollars

Resolved Unanimously, That it is the Opinion of this House, that the Honourable the
Senate, by rejecting the Bill for the seizing and confiscating British Property, hath prevented
this House from complying with the Requisition of Congress, and raising Money to enable that
Body to support the Credit of our Currency, and to defray the Current Expenses of the War, and
therefore, that any Enquiries that may arise therefrom to the Public are properly and justly to
be imputed to those Members of the Senate who gave their Negative to the Bill

Resolved unanimously, That the Voters of this State be earnestly requested to express their
Sentiments on the present Differences between the two Branches of the Legislature, respecting
the seizing and confiscating British Property within this State

Ordered, That the above Resolves be printed in the Annapolis and Baltimore News Papers,
and with the Messages before ordered to be published

On the second reading the Report of the Committee appointed to enquire into Mr Bullens
Account, Ordered, That the said Account be referred to the Auditor General for settlement

The engrossed Bill N^o 26, sent to the Senate, with the Paper Bill thereof by Mr Hoy and
Mr Barnes.

The House adjourns till 3 O'Clock

Post Meridien, The House met

Brice Wth Worthington, Esq: from the Senate, delivers to Mr Speaker the Journal of Accounts, the
two Resolves respecting the Civil Office, and the Resolve respecting the Delegates to Congress,
severally endorsed; By the Senate, December 30th 1779 Read and assented to

By Order A. S. D. G. L. S. D.

Resolved, That the Governor and Council be authorized and fully empowered to direct, that
a Guard be hired upon the most reasonable Terms that can be obtained, for the Security of the
Powder Magazine near Tradovich Down, or any other Powder Magazine in this State, and that
they be requested to have the Account of Expenses heretofore incurred on beh^{al} of the
State, relative to such Magazines, audited, adjusted and paid

Richard Barnes, Esq: from the Senate, delivers to Mr Speaker the following Message -

By the Senate, December 30th 1779

Gentlemen,

To your long Message of this Day, by Messieurs Sprigg and Birkhead, on
the Subject of Confiscation, sent us at the present almost, when both Houses expected to rise,
we presume you do not look for an Answer. Demony, however, requires, that we acknowledge
the Receipt, and that it has been read. Circumstances do not allow us to say more than what in Justice
to ourselves we are constrained to say, that we remain some Misrepresentation, and much Thalling
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