

158 VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, MARCH, 1780.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a bill for the relief of certain nonjurors. ORDERED, That Mr. W. Steventon, Mr. Job, Mr. J. Henry, Mr. C. Ridgely, and Mr. Deye, do prepare and bring in the same.

The bill for the more effectual preventing forestalling, &c. was sent to the senate by Mr. Jordan and Mr. Harrison.

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

W E D N E S D A Y, May 10, 1780.

THE house met. Present the same members as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read.

The report on the petition of Richard and John Colegate was read the second time and concurred with, and leave given to bring in a bill agreeable to the prayer of the petition.

The bill to repeal a resolve of convention respecting the officers and soldiers of this state, &c. was read the second time, and the question put, That the said bill do pass? Determined unanimously in the negative. Sent to the senate by Mr. Ward and Mr. J. Steventon.

The house adjourns till half past 2 o'clock.

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

The house met.

Brice T. B. Worthington, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the supplement to the act for the assessment of property within this state, thus endorsed; "By the senate, May 5, 1780: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order,

H. RIDGELY, clk.

"By the senate, May 10, 1780: Read the second time and will pass.

"By order,

J. MACCUBBIN, clk."

Which was ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Ringgold brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker the following report:

THE committee to whom were referred the petitions of John Taylor, late collector of the tax for Harford county, William Dawson, late collector of the tax for Talbot county, and William Wright, late collector of the tax for Queen-Anne's county, beg leave to report, that in obedience to the order of the honourable house they have maturely considered the same, and are of opinion the allegations therein contained are true, which, with the great inclemency of the season, rendered it almost impossible for them to make their several collections and returns in due time. Your committee are therefore of opinion, that some indulgence ought to be granted to the said petitioners, and the time to which they were limited for making their several returns extended to the first day of April last, after which time they ought to pay the interest of fifteen per cent. on all monies which they have not and ought to have paid into the treasury before the first day of January last, in virtue of an act of assembly, entitled, An additional supplement to the act, entitled, An act to raise the supplies for the year seventeen hundred and seventy-nine. All which is submitted to the consideration of the honourable house.

Signed by order,

A. GOLDER, clk.

Which was read.

Mr. Quynn bring in and delivers to Mr. Speaker the following report:

By the COMMITTEE appointed to enquire into and report on the facts contained in the petition of Deborah Wilkins.

YOUR committee beg leave to report, that they have enquired into the same, and find the facts set forth in said petition to be true, and are of opinion, that a power ought to be lodged with the commissioners of the tax to grant relief to the petitioner, and all others in similar circumstances. All which is submitted to the consideration of the honourable house.

By order,

G. RANKEN, clk.

Which was read.

A petition of James Pope, setting forth, that he has served as a soldier for four years, and from fatigue, sickness, and severe colds, has been deprived of his fight, and therefore praying for support, was preferred and read.

William Hindman, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the bill for bringing into the treasury the sum of twenty million five hundred and forty thousand dollars, &c. thus endorsed; "By the senate, May 6, 1780: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order,

H. RIDGELY, clk.

"By the senate, May 10, 1780: Read the second time and will not pass.

"By order,

J. MACCUBBIN, clk."

And the following message:

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