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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS; JUNE, 1780. 211

Mr. W. Stevenson, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker the following report :

THE committee, to whom the nonjurors petitions were referred, have, in obedience to the order of the honourable house, considered the same, and beg leave to report, That list No. 1, contains the names of those who, in the opinion of your committee, should be relieved from the payment of the treble tax, and all the incapacities, disabilities, and disqualifications, created and imposed by the act for the better security of the government (except the holding any office of trust or profit, and voting at any election) on their taking the oath (or affirmation) of fidelity and support to this state. That list No. 2, contains the names of those who were prevented by sickness, or some other unavoidable accident, from taking the oath at the time prescribed by law; your committee are therefore of opinion, that they ought to be relieved from the treble tax, and all pains, penalties, and disabilities, whatsoever, on their taking the oath (or affirmation) of fidelity and support to this state. All which is submitted to the consideration of the honourable house.

By order,

G. RANKEN, clk.

Which was read.

Thomas Stone, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the bill for the regulation of the staple of tobacco, endorsed; "By the senate, June 28, 1780: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

" By order,

J. MACCUBBIN, clk.

" By the senate, June 29, 1780: Read the second time by especial order and will pass with the proposed amendments.

" By order,

J. MACCUBBIN, clk."

Amendments proposed. Page 1. Strike out from the word "except" in the 6th line to the word "law" in the 7th line from the top inclusive. Between the words "same" and "shall," in the 8th line from the top, insert, "has been brought to some public warehouse, and there inspected by persons appointed for this purpose, or acting as inspectors, or unless the same." Page 31. After the word "offending," in the 13th line from the top, insert, "shall be punished with whipping, not exceeding thirty-nine lashes, and standing in the pillory, and by servitude, not exceeding five years, to pay the expences of prosecution, and redress the party or parties injured, in the discretion of the court before whom such offenders shall be convicted." Strike out from the word "shall" in the 14th line to the word "clergy" in same line. Page 52. In the 7th line from the bottom, after the word "making," insert "sale." Page 56. After the word "in," in the third line from the top, insert, "the new bills of credit, to be issued in virtue of the act for sinking the quota required by congress of this state of the bills of credit emitted by congress, at the rate of twelve shillings and six-pence per hundred, or in the present circulating paper currency, at the rate of twenty-five pounds per hundred." Strike out the remainder of the clause.

The amendments were read and agreed to, and the bill ordered to be engrossed.

The engrossed bill No. 13, was read and assented to, and sent to the senate, with the paper bill thereof, and the bill to continue the act to prohibit for a limited time the exportation of wheat, flour, rye, &c. by Mr. Banning and Mr. Norris.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a bill, entitled, An act regulating the mode of payment of debts and tender for the same in certain cases. ORDERED, That Mr. Cadwalader, Mr. Lethbury, Mr. J. Hall, Mr. Chase, Mr. M'Mechen, and Mr. W. Stevenson, do prepare and bring in the said bill.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a bill to suspend 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. ORDERED, That Mr. J. Hall, Mr. Chase, Mr. Cadwalader, Mr. Lethbury, Mr. W. Stevenson, Mr. Bruff, and Mr. M'Mechen, do prepare and bring in the said bill.

On motion, RESOLVED, That this house will sit, for the dispatch of business, from eight o'clock in the morning until one in the afternoon, and from three till seven.

The house adjourns till 3 o'clock.

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

The house met. The report on the petitions of nonjurors was read the second time and concurred with, and, on motion, Leave given to bring in a bill for the relief of certain nonjurors. ORDERED, That Mr. W. Stevenson, Mr. Bayly, and Mr. Job, do prepare and bring in the said bill.

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

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