

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, OCTOBER, 1780. 97

W E D N E S D A Y, January 24, 1781.

**T**HE house met. Present the same members as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read. Mr. Morris appeared in the house.

**ORDERED**, That one hundred and eighty copies of the act to embody a number of select militia, and for immediately putting this state in a proper posture of defence, and ninety copies of the act to explain and to enforce the acts therein mentioned, be immediately printed and sent to the lieutenants of the several counties.

Samuel Hughes, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker letters from the president of congress of the 9th and 13th instant, enclosing resolutions of congress of the 5th, 8th and 12th; which were read.

The engrossed bill No. 30, was read and assented to, and sent to the senate, with the paper bill thereof, by Mr. Duckett and Mr. M'Comas.

The house adjourns till half after 3 o'clock.

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

The house met.

The house adjourns till to-morrow morning half after 9 o'clock.

T H U R S D A Y, January 25, 1781.

**T**HE house met. Present the same members as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read.

William Hindman, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker a letter from the governor of the state of Virginia, dated the 15th instant; which was read.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a bill to seize, confiscate, and appropriate all British property within this state. **ORDERED**, That Mr. T. Johnson and Mr. Chase do prepare and bring in the same.

Mr. T. Johnson brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker the said bill; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Maccubbin, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker the following report;

**T**HE committee to whom was referred the petition of Roger Nelson, beg leave to report, that having considered the same, they are of opinion, that the prayer of said petition ought immediately to be complied with, and that the most ready mode to obtain a supply of money, sufficient to answer the purpose required, will be by loan. That a sum of eight hundred and forty pounds gold, will be sufficient to satisfy the present wants of the officers of this state who are prisoners in Charles-town, South-Carolina, there being twenty-one in number, that sum apportioned out in the same number of equal parts, will furnish each officer with the sum of forty pounds, which will not be more than adequate to his present pressing demands.

Your committee beg leave further to report, that it is their opinion the expences of Roger Nelson from Charles-town, South-Carolina, to this state, and on his return to Charles-town, ought to be defrayed by the state, which, by an estimate given in to your committee, will amount to about two thousand five hundred pounds continental currency.

• All which is submitted to the consideration of the honourable house.

By order,

J. LYON, clk.

Which was read.

The bill to continue the act prohibiting the export of grain, wheat flour, &c. was read the second time and passed. Sent to the senate by Mr. Craufurd and Mr. W. Stevenson.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a bill to explain that part of the act for sinking the quota required by congress of this state of the bills of credit emitted by congress, which relates to the duty imposed on ordinary licences. **ORDERED**, That Mr. Maccubbin, Mr. Morris, and Mr. Hindman, do prepare and bring in the same.

Mr. Maccubbin brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker the said bill; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Dashiell, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act to authorise the lieutenants of the militia to appoint field days, and to direct the payment and mode of recovery of militia fines in specie or the value; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a bill, entitled, A Supplement to the act for the regulation of the staple of tobacco. **ORDERED**, That Mr. E. Johnson, Mr. Clagett, and Mr. Craufurd, do prepare and bring in the same.

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