

100 VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, OCTOBER, 1780.

think that that officer is entitled to a salary equal to the one allowed to the deputy treasurer, which, with the addition of one hundred per cent. will amount to £. 15,000.

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

By order,

J. LYON, clk.

Which was read.

The bill to draught the non-commissioned officers and privates of the regiment extraordinary, into the battalions of the quota of this state, &c. was read the second time and passed. Sent to the senate by Mr. Taylor and Mr. Job.

Mr. Fitzhugh has leave of absence.

The house adjourns till half after 3 o'clock.

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

The house met.

Thomas Stone, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the bill for the defence of the bay, with the following message :

BY THE SENATE, JANUARY 26, 1780.

GENTLEMEN,

THIS house have, upon consideration, agreed to recede from their amendment respecting the fort to be built on Drum Point, as it seems to be esteemed by your house an object of great importance, and promises in the execution of it very considerable protection both to the trade of the bay and the inhabitants of the neighbourhood of it.

The destruction of the houses on the islands, we apprehend, may be attended with pernicious consequences, and are therefore desirous that our amendment to this part of the bill may be adopted.

The poverty of many of the people directed to be removed from the islands, will subject them to great distress unless some provision is made for them, we are therefore anxious that a discretionary power should be vested in the justices of Somerset, Worcester, and Dorchester counties, for this purpose.

We are equally desirous with the house of delegates to avoid the discussion of any question that may tend to procrastinate public business, or produce a disagreement in sentiment. If your house is of opinion, that the bill to which this subject refers is a money bill, it will be agreeable to the senate to offer the amendments in a private way, and that the proceedings of both houses should be erased from the journals.

By order,

J. MACCUBBIN, clk.

Which was read and agreed to, and ordered that the bill be amended correspondent thereto, and that the same be engrossed.

George Plater, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the 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, endorsed; "By the senate, January 26, 1781: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

" By order,

J. MACCUBBIN, clk.

" By the senate, January 26, 1781: Read the second time by especial order and will pass.

" By order,

J. MACCUBBIN, clk."

And, the bill to draught the non-commissioned officers and privates of the regiment extraordinary into the battalions of the quota of this state, &c. endorsed; "By the senate, January 26, 1781: Read the first and second time by especial order and will pass.

" By order,

J. MACCUBBIN, clk."

Which were ordered to be engrossed.

Charles Carroll, of Carrollton, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the bill to authorise the lieutenants of the militia to appoint field days, &c. endorsed; "By the senate, January 26, 1781: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

" By order,

J. MACCUBBIN, clk.

" By the senate, January 26, 1781: Read the second time by especial order and will pass.

" By order,

J. MACCUBBIN, clk."

Which was ordered to be engrossed.

On the second reading the bill to seize, confiscate, and appropriate all British property within this state, the question was put, That the proviso in the said bill, excepting from seizure the property of Horatio Sharpe, be struck out? The yeas and nays being called for by Mr. W. Stevenson, appeared as follow :

A F F I R M A T I V E.

Mr. W. Stevenson,
Wilmer,

J. Stevenson,
Shaw,

Sullivan,
Whitely,

Taylor,
M'Comas,

Norris,
Jo. Chapline,

Ja. Chapline,
Bayly.

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