

regret the accident which separated him in the Active, after her capture, from the Porpoise, before her severe conflict with the Hibernia, of much superior force.

RESOLVED, That the thanks of this legislature be given to captain Weems, of the Porpoise, the other officers of the said vessel, and to captain Revelly, Major Eustace, and Mr. Vining, volunteers, and the other volunteers and crew in the said vessel, for their conduct and bravery in the said action with the Hibernia.

RESOLVED, That all expences of the care and cure of captain Revelly, and the others who were wounded in the said action, be defrayed by the public, and that captain Revelly be requested to accept of a horse of the value of one hundred pounds, in bills of credit of the new emissions, as an acknowledgment from this state of his often tried valour, and his attachment to the cause of freedom and America.

Sent to the senate by Mr. Hungerford and Mr. Alexander.

Thomas Stone, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the bill to secure disaffected persons, endorsed; "By the senate, February 2, 1781: Read the first and second time by especial order and will pass.

" By order,

J. MACCUBBIN, clk."

Which was ordered to be engrossed.

On motion, That Stephen West, Esq; was duly elected by the council a member, agreeable to the constitution and form of government? The previous question was called for and put, That the said question be now put? Determined in the negative.

Charles Carroll, of Carrollton, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the resolution respecting the outstanding certificates, and the resolutions respecting major Steward, and the officers of the Porpoise, &c. endorsed; "By the senate, February 2, 1782: Read and all n'ed to.

" By order,

J. MACCUBBIN, clk."

ORDERED, That Mr. Speaker be requested to transmit to major Steward, captain Revelly, captain Weems, and the other officers and crew of the sloop Porpoise, major Eustace, and Mr. Vining, the resolutions respecting their conduct in the action with the Hibernia.

William Hemsley, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the bill to procure a loan, and for the sale of escheat lands, &c. endorsed; "By the senate, February 2, 1781: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

" By order,

J. MACCUBBIN, clk.

" By the senate, February 2, 1781: Read the second time by especial order and will pass.

" By order,

J. MACCUBBIN, clk."

Which was ordered to be engrossed.

On motion, That on the ballots being taken for the choice of a counsellor to fill up a vacancy, occasioned by the death, resignation, or refusal of a counsellor, and an equal number of ballots being in favour of two or more persons, the choice ought not, in the opinion of this house, to be determined by lot? The previous question was called for and put, That the said question be now put? The yeas and nays being called for by Mr. Chase, appeared as follow:

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

Messrs. Mills,
Plowden,
Wilmer,

Hanson,
Hammond,
Hindman,

Sullivan,
Craufurd,
Clagett,

Dennis,
T. Johnson,
Taylor,

M'Comas,
Norris,
Jo. Chapline,

Ja. Chapline,
Barnes.

N E G A T I V E.

Messrs. W. Stevenson,
Maccubbin,
Freeland,
E. Johnson,

Causin,
J. Stevenson,
Shaw,
Whitely,

Lawson,
Job,
Duckett,
Magruder,

Chase,
Quynn,
Morris,
Dashiell,

Alexander,
M'Mechen,
Cramphin,

Bayly,
Oneale,
Hungerford.

So it was determined in the negative.

William Hemsley, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the following resolution:

BY THE SENATE, FEBRUARY 2, 1781.

RESOLVED, That the act to procure recruits, and the supplement thereto, the supplement to the act for the regulation of the staple of tobacco, the act relating to the treble tax imposed on nonjurors and absentees, and the act to procure a loan, and for the sale of escheat lands and the confiscated property therein mention, be immediately printed, in such numbers as the governor and council shall direct, and sent by express to the several counties.

By order,

J. MACCUBBIN, clk.

Which was read.

John Henry, Esq; from the senate, delivers, to Mr. Speaker the bill for the payment of the journal of accounts, endorsed; "By the senate, February 1, 1781: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

" By order,

J. MACCUBBIN, clk.

" By