

And also the resolves sent up by Mr. Morris and Mr. Sprigg, endorsed; "By the senate, May 29, 1781: Read and assented to.

"By order,  
The house adjourns till 3 o'clock.

J. MACCUBBIN, clk."

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

The house met.

Mr. Wright, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act to repeal the several acts of assembly heretofore made relative to the export of provisions; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

Samuel Hughes, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker a memorial from sundry merchants and others of Baltimore-town and Baltimore county, on the subject of trade and the defence of the bay; which was read and referred to the committee of the whole house.

And a petition from sundry inhabitants of Washington county, praying a repeal of the act to regulate auctions; petitions from the inhabitants of Queen-Anne's, Talbot and Caroline counties, setting forth, that the bridge over Tuckahoe-creek is almost impassable, and praying an act may pass, empowering certain persons to be appointed to contract for the building a new bridge across the said creek; severally endorsed; "By the senate, May 29, 1781: Read and referred to the house of delegates.

"By order,

J. MACCUBBIN, clk."

The order of the day being read, the house resolved itself into a committee of the whole; Mr. Wright in the chair; after some time spent therein Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Wright reported, that the committee had, according to order, taken into their consideration the subject matter referred to them, but not having had time to go through the same, directed him to move for leave to sit again.

RESOLVED, That this house will, on to-morrow, resolve itself into a committee of the whole, to consider further of the same.

A petition from Stephen Steward, of Anne-Arundel county, setting forth, that he has contracted for a considerable quantity of tobacco in the neighbourhood of West-river and Herring-bay, to which places there is no inspection house nearer than Patuxent river, where he is unwilling to hazard his tobacco, the same being liable to destruction by the enemy, and praying an act may pass; enabling him to procure an inspector belonging to some public warehouse, to inspect his tobacco in the neighbourhood of West-river and Herring-bay, where the same will be secure; was preferred and read the first and second time, and the prayer of said petition granted.

On motion, Leave given to bring in an additional Supplement to the act for the regulation of the staple of tobacco. ORDERED, That Mr. T. Johnson, Mr. Wright, and Mr. Morris, do prepare and bring in the said bill.

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

W E D N E S D A Y, May 30, 1781.

THE house met. Present the same members as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read. Mr. W. Dent and Mr. Norris appeared in the house. Mr. Peregrine Lethbrury, a delegate returned for Kent county, appeared, and after qualifying in the mode prescribed by the constitution and form of government took his seat in the house.

A petition from Benjamin Sylvester, of Caroline county, setting forth, that the commissary of said county seized a quantity of bacon belonging to him, and gave him a certificate therefor bearing an interest; that previous to the seizure he had made several contracts, and expected to fulfil them by the sale of his provisions, and therefore praying relief; was preferred and read.

RESOLVED, That the delegates from this state in congress be instructed to apply for at least five hundred stand of arms and accoutrements, with which to arm the continental troops lately raised in this state; and that they strongly urge congress to a speedy compliance with this request, as this state cannot be expected, in its present circumstances, to part from any of the fire-arms it has. And also to represent to congress the real difficulties this state is under to provide cloathing for her men, and to request congress to assist this state with cloathing if they have it in their power.

Sent to the senate by Mr. Brogden and Mr. Stainton.

Charles Carroll, Barrister, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker a petition from Ariana Kennedy, of Baltimore county, setting forth, that in the year 1772, she intermarried with a certain Patrick Kennedy; previous to which marriage, articles were entered into with a certain John Slemaker, trustee for the petitioner, wherein it was stipulated, that the petitioner should hold and enjoy the real and personal property with which she was possessed at the time of her marriage, and that it should be at her disposal during her natural life; that shortly after the marriage