

Your committee are of opinion, that the said Joseph Baxter ought to be relieved from the interest of twenty per cent. on his public account, and that he ought to have credit for his said account, agreeable to the real depreciation at the time when the balance due from him should have been paid; and your committee are further of opinion, that the sum of two hundred and eighty-five pounds fifteen shillings and six-pence, due on account of prisoners of war and deserters, ought to be charged to the United States.

Your committee beg leave further to report, that they have examined the facts set forth in the petitions of Clement Beall, late sheriff and collector of Montgomery county, Simon Nicholls, now sheriff and collector of said county, and Thomas Williams, sheriff and collector of Prince-George's county, and find the facts stated in said petitions to be true, and are of opinion that the said petitioners ought to be relieved from the twenty per cent. on their public accounts.

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

By order,

W. H. M'PERSON, clk.

Which was read the first and second time and concurred with, and leave given to bring in a bill pursuant thereto.

On the second reading the bill to raise two battalions of militia for reinforcing the continental army, the question was put, That the clause relating to vagrants be struck out? The yeas and nays being called for by Mr. Norris, appeared as follow:

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

Messrs:	Lethbury,	Ridgey,	Lawson,	Taylor,	Alexander,	Barnes,
	Cadwalader,	Shaw,	Job,	Norris,	Ja. Chapline,	Oneale.
	Brogden,	Ward,	Kirk,	Giles,		

N E G A T I V E.

Messieurs	Key,	T. Gantt,	Winder,	Clagett,	Dashiell,	M'Mechen,
	Plowden,	E. Johnson,	Scott,	Kent,	F. Gaunt,	Cramphin,
	W. Stevenson,	Dent,	Whitely,	Chase,	T. Johnson,	Bayly,
	Hall,	Causin,	Craufurd,	Quynn,	Beatty,	Hungerford.
	Freeland,	Lloyd,	Duckett,	Morris,	Seth,	

So it was determined in the negative.

The bill being read throughout, the question was put, That the said bill do pass? Resolved in the affirmative.

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

F R I D A Y, June 15, 1781.

**T**HE house met. Present the same members as on yesterday, except Mr. Worthington. The proceedings of yesterday were read. Mr. Michael Jenifer Stone, a delegate returned for Charles county, appeared, and after qualifying in the usual manner took his seat in the house.

A representation from the officers of the Maryland companies in the rifle (late Rawlings's) regiment, setting forth, that having applied for a certificate for the depreciation due them under the act of assembly, the commissioner informed them he could not grant certificates until a particular order is made for that purpose, and requesting redress, was preferred and read.

A bill, entitled, An act for the relief of Joseph Baxter and others, late collectors of the tax, was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. W. Stevenson, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act for the relief of certain nonjurors; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

The bill to raise two battalions of militia for reinforcing the continental army, was sent to the senate by Mr. Dashiell and Mr. Brogden.

The bill for the relief of certain nonjurors, was read the second time by especial order and passed. Sent to the senate by Mr. Shaw and Mr. Causin.

The representation from the officers of the late rifle regiment, was read the second time, and referred to Mr. F. Gaunt, Mr. Bayly, Mr. T. Johnson, and Mr. Maccubbin, to consider and report thereon.

The house adjourns till 3 o'clock.

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

The house met.

Mr. F. Gaunt, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker the following report:

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