

SUNDAY, June 17, 1781.

THE house met. Present the same members as on yesterday, except Mr. F. Gaunt, Mr. Shaw, Mr. T. Gantt, Mr. Wright, and Mr. Duckett. The proceedings of yesterday were read.

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

By the COMMITTEE of ELECTIONS and PRIVILEGES.

YOUR committee beg leave to report, that by the certificate of the sheriff of Baltimore county it appears, that Mr. Robert Lemmon is duly returned a delegate for Baltimore county, in the room of Mr. Rezin Hammond who resigned. That by the certificate of the sheriff of Charles county it appears, that Mr. Michael Jenifer Stone is duly returned a delegate for Charles county, in the room of Mr. Samuel Hanson who resigned. All which is submitted to the consideration of the honourable house.

By order,

W. H. M'PHERSON, clk.

Which was read the first and second time and concurred with.

The following message being prepared, was sent to the senate by Mr. Craufurd and Mr. Winder:

BY THE HOUSE of DELEGATES, JUNE 17, 1781.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOURS,

THIS house propose to emit two hundred thousand pounds in bills of credit, on the security of double the value in lands, to defray the expences of the present campaign; we cannot devise any other mode to procure the means of prosecuting the war. The funds proposed are adequate, part of the confiscated British property, taxes, and the subscriptions of our citizens; the period for the redemption is very short. The difficulty of giving a certain permanent value to paper credit must be very obvious to your honours, and without the concurrence of the wealthy citizens, whose example and influence will govern the multitude, we fear no act of the legislature will secure the issuing the money out of the office, and therefore we wish the association herewith sent to be signed by the members of the general assembly, the officers of government, and the principal merchants, planters and farmers, in the several counties. If any better mode can be devised, we would most cordially give our assent to it.

By order,

F. GREEN, clk.

On the second reading the bill to adjust the debts due from this state, the question was put, That the following part of the scale of depreciation be struck out? "April, to 20th day 140, to 30th day 160; May, to 10th day 200, to 20th day 240, to 30th day 260; June 280." The yeas and nays being called for by Mr. E. Johnson, appeared as follow:

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

Messrs. Plowden,
Lethbury,
Cadwalader,
Hall,
Brogden,

E. Johnson,
Dent,
Causin,
Lloyd,
Winder,

Whitely,
Kirk,
Magruder,
Clagett,
Kent,

Dashiell,
T. Johnson,
Beatty,
Taylor,

Norris,
Giles,
Seth,
Ja. Chapline,

Barnes,
Job,
Bayly,
Hungerford.

N E G A T I V E.

Messrs. Freeland,
Stone,
Ridgely,

Scott,
Ward,
Lawson,

Craufurd,
Chafe,

Quynn,
Morris,

Alexander,
M'Mechen,

Cramphin,
Oneale.

So it was resolved in the affirmative.

The bill being read throughout, was committed for amendments.

The engrossed bill No. 15, was read and assented to, and sent to the senate, with the paper bill thereof, by Mr. Ward and Mr. Seth.

The house adjourns till 3 o'clock.

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

The house met, and adjourned till to-morrow morning 9 o'clock.

MONDAY, June 18, 1781.

THE house met. Present the same members as on yesterday, except Mr. Hall. Mr. Duckett appeared in the house. The proceedings of yesterday were read.

ORDERED, That the committee of claims be directed to close the journal of accounts on Saturday next.

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