

same depreciation as soldiers of this state in the service of the United States; a memorial of Thomas Brooke Hodgkin, praying the general assembly to direct the payment of an account which has been passed by the auditor, for money expended in the public service; petitions of Henry Trader and George and James Fletcher, nonjurors in Somerset county, praying relief; and a petition of major John Lynch, setting forth, that a certain Patrick Kennedy, early in the year 1777, went to the enemy, after making a will, devising all his property to Edward and Mary Lynch, son and daughter of the devisor's uncle; that the petitioner intermarried with the said Mary Lynch, and afterwards, in September 1777, the said Kennedy made and executed a deed of gift of all his property in Baltimore-town to the petitioner and his wife, which deed was by accident lost by the person to whom it was delivered; that the said Patrick Kennedy is now outlawed for high treason, and his property confiscated to the state; and praying the general assembly to secure to him and his wife the said property; severally endorsed; "By the senate, November 28, 1781: Read and referred to the house of delegates.

" By order,

J. MACCUBBIN, clk."

The following message being prepared, was sent to the senate by Mr. Job and Mr. Rowland.

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, NOVEMBER 28, 1781.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOURS,

THIS house is ready to go into the appointment of four delegates to congress, and have appointed Mr. Quynn, Mr. Job, and Mr. Duckett, to examine the ballot boxes, in conjunction with such members as you may think proper to nominate. The following gentlemen are named by this house to be balloted for, viz. John Hanson, Samuel Chase, Daniel Carroll, Nathaniel Ramsey, Uriah Forrest, Turbutt Wright, Benedict Edward Hall, James M'Henry, William Bruff, William Hemsley, and Samuel Hughes.

By order,

F. GREEN, clk.

Charles Carroll, Esq; Barrister, from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the following message:

BY THE SENATE, NOVEMBER 28, 1781.

GENTLEMEN,

WE are ready to go immediately into the appointment of four delegates to congress, and have named William Hindman and Edward Lloyd, Esquires, to join the gentlemen nominated by your house in examination of the ballot boxes. This house have no gentleman to propose in addition to those named by you.

By order,

J. MACCUBBIN, clk.

Which was read; and the house proceeded to the choice of four delegates to congress, and the ballots being deposited in the ballot box, the gentlemen named to strike retired, and after some time returned and reported, that upon examining the ballots it appeared, that John Hanson, Daniel Carroll, Samuel Chase, and Turbutt Wright, Esquires, had a majority of votes. Whereupon RESOLVED, That John Hanson, Daniel Carroll, Samuel Chase, and Turbutt Wright, Esquires, be, and are hereby declared to be, delegates to represent this state in congress.

The following message being prepared, was read and agreed to.

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, NOVEMBER 28, 1781.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOURS,

THIS house propose, that a joint letter be wrote by the president of the senate and speaker of the house of delegates, notifying to the gentlemen chosen delegates to congress their appointment.

By order,

F. GREEN, clk.

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

T H U R S D A Y, November 29, 1781.

THE house met. Present the same members as on yesterday, except Mr. Norris. The proceedings of yesterday were read.

The message of yesterday, proposing a notification to the gentlemen chosen delegates to congress of their appointment, was sent to the senate by Mr. Mills and Mr. Maynadier.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a bill to repeal an act for the punishing the offences of adultery and fornication, and an act for taking off corporal punishment inflicted on females having base born children, and for other purposes. ORDERED, That Mr. Thomas, Mr. Wright, and Mr. Burgess, do prepare and bring in the said bill.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a bill to regulate ferries. ORDERED, That Mr. Thomas, Mr. Wright, and Mr. Burgess, do prepare and bring in the said bill.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a bill to raise the supplies for the year seventeen hundred and eighty-two. ORDERED, That Mr. Chase, Mr. B. T. B. Worthington, Mr. Wright, Mr. Lloyd, and Mr. Eccleston, do prepare and bring in the same.

Mr. Hall appeared in the house.

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

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