

Such merchant or merchants shall be liable to pay the same rate as by this act is imposed on the property of other inhabitants of this state; and the assessor shall return a distinct account thereof to the commissioners of the tax for his county; and such merchant or merchants may discharge the same, in paper money or specific articles, at the rates by this act ascertained. Provided always, and be it enacted, That where ships or other vessels are not in harbour, or view of the assessor, during the period of assessment, if such ship or other vessel afterwards arrive during the year, the same shall be rated as soon after the arrival as may be, together with her lading of merchandise on board; and return shall be made to the commissioners of the tax, who shall give a note thereof to the naval officer of the district next adjacent; and such ship or other vessel shall not clear out, until the assessment on vessel and cargo be paid; but such ship or other vessel, last mentioned, or the cargo on board, shall not be assessed more than once in any one year."

The yeas and nays being called for by Mr. S. Worthington appeared as follow:

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

Messrs	Mills,	Fitzhugh,	S. Worthington,	Bowie,	Courfey,	Chapline,
	N. Worthington,	Chew,	Hindman,	Hawkins,	Beatty,	Burgefs,
	Hall,	Taney,	Job,	Duckett,	Taylor,	Griffith,
	B. Worthington,	Jenifer,	Miller,	Kent,	Norris,	Oneale.
	Brogden,	Stone,	Rowland,	Seney,		

N E G A T I V E.

Messrs.	Forrest,	Cadwalader,	Stevenson,	Brevard,	Quynn,	Wilson,
	Thomas,	Lloyd,	Ridgely,	Chafe,	M'Mechen,	Sprigg.
	Plowden,					

So it was resolved in the affirmative.

On progression in reading the said bill, the question was put, That persons holding public offices of profit, except military officers, be assessed forty-five shillings in the hundred pounds on the annual salary of such offices? Determined in the negative.

The question was then put on twenty shillings. Determined in the negative.

The question was then put on three pounds. The yeas and nays being called for by Mr. Hawkins appeared as follow:

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

Mes.	Forrest,	Miller,	Hawkins,	Norris,	M'Mechen,	Sprigg.
	Taney,					

N E G A T I V E.

Messieurs	Thomas,	N. Worthington,	Jenifer,	Brevard,	Seney,	Taylor,
	Plowden,	Hall,	Stone,	Rowland,	Courfey,	Wilson,
	Mills,	B. Worthington,	Ridgely,	Bowie,	Chafe,	Chapline,
	Cadwalader,	Brogden,	S. Worthington,	Duckett,	Quynn,	Griffith,
	Lloyd,	Fitzhugh,	Hindman,	Kent,	Beatty,	Oneale.
	Stevenson,	Chew,	Job,			

So it was determined in the negative.

The question was then put, That the following clause be inserted in the said bill?

"And be it enacted, That all and every person and persons within this state, holding or exercising any public office of profit (except military officers, who shall be in the pay of the United States, or of this state) shall be assessed in the hundred pounds, and so pro rato, of the annual salary or amount of such office."

The yeas and nays being called for by Mr. Hall appeared as follow:

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

Messrs.	N. Worthington,	Brogden,	S. Worthington,	Hawkins,	Seney,	Norris,
	Hall,	Taney,	Miller,	Duckett,	Taylor,	Chapline.
	B. Worthington,	Jenifer,	Rowland,			

N E G A T I V E.

Messieurs	Forrest,	Lloyd,	Stone,	Brevard,	Chafe,	Wilson,
	Thomas,	Stevenson,	Ridgely,	Bowie,	Quynn,	Sprigg,
	Plowden,	Fitzhugh,	Hindman,	Kent,	Beatty,	Griffith,
	Mills,	Chew,	Job,	Courfey,	M'Mechen,	Oneale.
	Cadwalader,					

So it was determined in the negative.

On progression in reading the said bill, the question was put, That the certificates of officers and soldiers, bearing interest, be inserted in the clause for securing the payment of interest? The yeas and nays being called for by Mr. Cadwalader appeared as follow:

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