

14 VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, NOVEMBER, 1782.

Your committee are of opinion, that the general assembly should propose to subjects of this state creditors of congress on loan-office certificates, to bring them in to the auditor, to be adjusted by him agreeable to the scale laid down by congress, and to take certificates from this state bearing an interest of 6 per cent. half thereof payable annually during the war in coin or continental bank notes, and after the war the whole interest to be paid annually in coin or bank notes. All which is submitted to the consideration of the honourable house.

By order,

G. RANKEN, clk.

Which was read.

On motion by Mr. Dashiell seconded by Mr. Forrest, ORDERED, That the report from the committee to whom were referred the requisitions of congress and the letters from the superintendent of finance to his Excellency the governor, &c. be taken into consideration at the meeting of the house on Thursday next.

A petition from Mary Howlet, of Baltimore county, setting forth, that her husband, about ten years ago, purchased about fifty acres of land from a certain Thomas Johnson, under the incumbrance of a right of dower; that he has left her some time; that before his leaving her he treated her very unkind, and has never been heard of since; that the land is since confiscated, and praying relief in the premises aforesaid; was preferred and read, and referred to the committee on private petitions.

On motion by Mr. Cradock seconded by Mr. Forrest, RESOLVED, That the governor and the council be requested to issue their proclamation, appointing Thursday the twenty-eighth instant to be observed throughout this state as a day of public thanksgiving and prayer, agreeable to the ordinance of congress of the eleventh of October.

ORDERED, That Mr. Chase request the reverend Mr. Gates to perform divine service on that day, and that he prepare a sermon for that purpose.
The house adjourns till to-morrow morning 9 o'clock.

W E D N E S D A Y, November 20, 1782.

THE house met. Present the same members as on yesterday, except Mr. Hall. The proceedings of yesterday were read. Mr. S. Worthington has leave of absence for ten days. On motion by Mr. Done seconded by Mr. Dashiell, RESOLVED, That it shall for the future be a standing rule of this house, that no member shall have leave of absence without assigning satisfactory reasons in the judgment of the house.

Mr. Weems has leave of absence, to take place to-morrow afternoon, until Monday next. Mr. Shaw, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act for the relief of Thomas White and John White, of Dorchester county; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

The engrossed bill No. 1 was read and assented to, and sent to the senate, with the paper bill thereof, by Mr. Hindman and Mr. Fell.

The petition of Frederick Green was read the second time and ordered to lie on the table. On the second reading the bill to settle and pay the civil list, and other expences of civil government, it was moved by Mr. B. Worthington and seconded by Mr. Edwards, That the following words be struck out: "Each of the members of the council four hundred pounds," and insert, "each of the members of the council three hundred pounds." The yeas and nays being called for by Mr. Seney seconded by Mr. B. Worthington appeared as follow:

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

Mc. Pearce,	N. Worthington,	Magruder,	Ogle,	Griffith,	Edwards.
B. Worthington,	Rowland,	Seney,	Stull,	Oneale,	

N E G A T I V E.

Messrs. Forrest,	Dent,	Hindman,	Job,	Chase,	Duvall,
Bond,	Wilkinson,	Done,	Miller,	Quynn,	Wheeler,
Key,	Courts,	Stewart,	Kent,	Dashiell,	Hopper,
Brogden,	Cradock,	Stevens,	Sewell,	Holland,	M'Mechen,
Weems,	Sl. rwood,	Kirkman,	Courfey,	Shriver,	Fell.

So it was determined in the negative.

On motion by Mr. M'Mechen seconded by Mr. Chase, the question was put, That the judge of the court of admiralty be allowed two hundred pounds? The yeas and nays being called for by Mr. M'Mechen seconded by Mr. Duvall appeared as follow:

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

Messrs. Forrest,	Dent,	Shaw,	Kent,	Dashiell,	Hopper,
Bond,	Hindman,	Stevens,	Courfey,	Duvall,	M'Mechen.
Key,	Done,	Kirkman,	Chase,		

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