

petitioners ought to be indulged with an opportunity of producing their witnesses and a hearing by council at the bar of this house. All which is submitted to the consideration of the honourable house.

By order,

A. GOLDER, clk.

Which was read and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Stewart, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a report on the petition from sundry inhabitants of Worcester county; which was read and concurred with, and leave given to bring in a bill pursuant thereto; and Mr. Done, Mr. Kent, and Mr. Stewart, were appointed a committee by Mr. Speaker to prepare and bring in the said bill.

John Henry, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker a petition from William Knott, praying to be relieved from the disabilities he labours under by not having taken the oath of allegiance in time, endorsed; "By the senate, November 30, 1782: Read and referred to the consideration of the house of delegates.

"By order,

J. MACCUBBIN, clk."

Which was read, and referred to the committee appointed to consider and report on the petitions of nonjurors.

And a list of obligations taken by Thomas Contee, for debts due to William and Robert Mollison, merchants of London.

On motion by Mr. Chase seconded by Mr. Quynn, Leave given to bring in a bill to prevent the subjects of an enemy from coming into this state; and Mr. Chase, Mr. Griffith, Mr. Sherwood, Mr. Hall, and Mr. B. Worthington, were appointed a committee by Mr. Speaker to prepare and bring in the said bill.

The house adjourns till Monday morning 9 o'clock.

M O N D A Y, December 2, 1782.

THE house met. Present the same members as on Saturday, except Mr. Bowie, Mr. Fell, and Mr. Brogden. The proceedings of Saturday were read. Mr. Forrest appeared in the house.

On motion by Mr. Forrest seconded by Mr. Holland, Leave given to bring in a bill to raise the supplies for the year 1783. The house proceeded to the choice of a committee by ballot, and the gentlemen named to strike retired, and after some time returned and reported, that Mr. Chase, Mr. Hall, Mr. B. Worthington, Mr. Forrest, and Mr. Kent, were appointed a committee to bring in the said bill.

Mr. Wheeler has leave of absence till Wednesday next.

The engrossed bill No. 3, was read and assented to, and sent to the senate, with the paper bill thereof, by Mr. Norris and Mr. Smithson.

Mr. Edward Burges, a delegate returned for Montgomery county, appeared, and after qualifying in the mode prescribed by the constitution and form of government, took his seat in the house.

Mr. Griffith, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act to prevent the subjects of an enemy from coming into this state; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

A memorial from sundry inhabitants of Cæcil county, setting forth, that Archibald Job, one of the delegates for said county, has not the property required by the constitution and form of government to entitle him to a seat in the house, was preferred and read, and thereupon **ORDERED**, That the resolution of the 10th of November 1778 be read, and it was read accordingly.

ORDERED, That the said memorial be taken into consideration on Thursday morning.

On motion by Mr. Dent seconded by Mr. Forrest, **ORDERED**, That a committee be appointed to examine and report the state and condition of the auditor-general's office; and Mr. Dent, Mr. Forrest, Mr. Hindman, Mr. Sherwood, and Mr. Burges, were appointed a committee by Mr. Speaker for that purpose.

Mr. Key appeared in the house.

Mr. Chase, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act to appropriate certain buildings in the city of Annapolis for the residence of the governor, and to direct repairs to the said buildings and the stadthouse; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

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

THE committee to whom all petitions of a private nature were referred, beg leave to report, that they have taken into consideration the petition of Alexander Symmer, respecting a debt due him by James Russell (a British subject), and having examined his papers recited in said petition, are of opinion, that the 9th section of the act passed October session 1780, entitled, An act to seize, confiscate, and appropriate, all British property within this state, takes in the case of the said