

The following message :

BY THE SENATE, DECEMBER 20, 1783.

GENTLEMEN,

WE agree that the address to his Excellency General Washington be signed by the president of the senate and speaker of the house of delegates. We have appointed John Henry and Charles Carroll, of Carrollton, Esquires, to join the gentlemen nominated by your house, to present the said address.

By order,

J. DORSEY, clk.

Which was read.

A letter from his Excellency the Governor, of the 20th of this instant, relative to sundry books, the property of Robert Smith, late secretary of Sir Robert Eden; which was read.

And, the resolution respecting a public entertainment to be provided for his Excellency General Washington, endorsed; "By the senate, December 20, 1783: Read and assented to.

"By order,

J. DORSEY, clk."

The house adjourns till Monday morning 9 o'clock.

M O N D A Y, December 22, 1783.

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

RESOLVED, That the intendant of the revenue be directed to provide money sufficient to discharge what debts may be due on the journal of accounts this session.

Whereas it appears to this general assembly, that Martin Adams, late of Frederick county, in obtaining a lease for lives of certain lands on Monocacy manor from the proprietary agent, by mistake had the name of Henry inserted instead of Andrew; and whereas the supposed life estate in the lands was, by will, afterwards bequeathed to the said Andrew; and whereas the lands have since been sold by the state, and the person in whom the right now is; has declared his willingness to relinquish the purchase in favour of the petitioner; RESOLVED, That the commissioners for confiscated property, after due notice, do again set up to public sale the aforesaid lot of ground, distinguished on the present plat by No. 29, for the use of Andrew Adams, his life therein, and sell the reversion to the highest bidder, on the same terms that the former sale was made, and that the treasurer deliver up any monies, certificates or securities, which may have been paid in virtue of the former sale.

On the second reading of the bill for making the river Susquehanna navigable from the line of this state to tide water, the question was put, That the said bill do pass? The yeas and nays being called for by Mr. Miller appeared as follow :

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

Messieurs	De Butts,	Hall,	Ridgely of Wm. Job,	Coursey,	Ogle,
	Plowden,	Carroll,	Hindman,	Quynn,	Hopper,
	Key,	Grahame,	Harris,	Morris,	Keene,
	W. Stevenson,	Ware,	Jackson,	Beatty,	M'Mechen,
	B. Worthington,	Hawkins,	Polk,	Shriver,	Oneale.
	N. Worthington,	Dent,	Scott,		

N E G A T I V E.

Mess.	J. Stevenson,	Rowland,	Norris,	Love,	Hughlett,	Edwards.
	Miller,					

So it was resolved in the affirmative.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a bill to raise the supplies for the ensuing year; and Mr. Kent, Mr. Scott, and Mr. M'Mechen, were appointed a committee for that purpose.

Charles Carroll, of Carrollton, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the following letter from his Excellency General Washington to the honourable the president of the senate and speaker of the house of delegates, viz.

GENTLEMEN,

I FEEL myself particularly happy in receiving the approbation of the general assembly of Maryland, for those services which my country had a right to demand, and which it was my duty to render in defence of it. Having happily attained the object for which we had drawn the sword, I felicitated myself on my approaching return to private life, and I must acknowledge I anticipated an unusual degree of self gratification in that retirement, which you are pleased to consider as an evidence of patriotism.

You have rightly judged, Gentlemen, that public liberty cannot be long preserved without the influence of those public virtues which you have enumerated. May the example you have exhibited, and the disposition you have manifested, prevail extensively, and have the most salutary