

T H U R S D A Y, January 13, 1785.

**T**HE house met. Present the same members as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read.

On motion, **ORDERED**, That the clerk of the house furnish the state printer with a copy of the resolves of the general assembly assented to this session, to be printed at the end of the laws passed this session.

The bill for the benefit of Mary Fitzhugh, was read the second time and passed. Sent to the senate by Mr. Stevenson.

**RESOLVED**, That the treasurer of the western shore be authorized and directed to issue a certificate to Mr. Uriah Forrest for the sum of nine hundred and forty five pounds current money, (being equal to the half pay of the said Uriah Forrest for seven years, as lieutenant colonel in the service of the United States) and that the said money be charged to congress, agreeably to their resolve of the twenty-third day of February 1781: and this resolution shall not in any manner affect or prevent the said Uriah Forrest from claiming any allowance he may be entitled to from this state, in virtue of the act of October session 1778, for the relief of disabled officers.

Sent to the senate by Mr. Steret.

Whereas it is represented to this general assembly, by a letter from John Pierce, commissioner for settling the army accounts, that major Brown and captain Hamilton were appointed by the officers of the Maryland line their agents, to assist the deputy commissioner in settling their accounts, and receive the certificates (to be appropriated as the executive shall direct) for the use of the officers and soldiers of said line; that they have been employed in this business since their appointment, and have not received any compensation for their services, except a small sum lent them by the intendant, as appears by his report: Therefore, **RESOLVED**, That the intendant be directed to furnish the said major Brown and captain Hamilton with a sum of money not exceeding forty dollars per month each, to enable them to complete the said business, to be charged the United States, until directions can be received from congress, to whom Mr. Pierce has wrote on the subject.

Sent to the senate by Mr. Steret.

Mr. Ware, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act for the inspection of tobacco; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a bill, entitled, An act to repeal such part of the acts of assembly therein mentioned, as authorized Thomas Contee to collect the debts of William Mollenon and of William and Robert Mollenon.

Mr. Chase brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker the said bill; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. McMechen, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act for the establishment and regulation of a night watch, and the erection of lamps, in Baltimore-town in Baltimore county; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

Whereas it is represented to this general assembly, by the memorial of the justices and sheriff of Anne-Arundel county, that the prison of said county was totally destroyed by the continental soldiers, who had possession and occupied the same for many years; that there is not any prison at present for the reception of debtors or felons, which is very injurious to the peace and safety of the county; and praying that persons might be appointed to view and value the damages, and that the treasurer grant a certificate for the amount thereof: Therefore, **RESOLVED**, That the intendant appoint two persons of credit, to view and ascertain on oath the damage done the prison aforesaid by the continental soldiers, and when so ascertained, that he direct a certificate to issue for the amount thereof, and that the same be charged to the United States.

William Hineman, Esq, from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the resolution respecting the per diem allowance, endorsed; "By the senate, January 13, 1785: Read and assented to.

"By order,

J. DORSEY, clk"

The bill to vest certain powers in the intendant of the revenue respecting Nantioke manor, endorsed; "By the senate, December 30, 1784: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order,

J. DORSEY, clk.

"By the senate, January 13, 1785: Read the second time with the proposed amendments and will pass.

"By order,

J. DORSEY, clk"

Amendments proposed. Page 2, strike out from the word "that" in the second line, to the end of the page, and insert, "That the intendant of the revenue shall have full power and authority to inquire into the said sales, and if it appears to him that any of the purchasers have been deceived in the purchase by means aforesaid, and such purchasers shall choose to be released from the purchase, the said intendant shall have full power and authority to declare such purchase, in which the purchaser has as aforesaid been deceived, and elects to be released from, void; and thereupon the bond or bonds taken from such purchaser or purchasers shall be given up; and the commissioners for preservation and sale of confiscated property shall, under the direction of the intendant, after giving two months notice in the Maryland Gazette, sell all such parts of the said manor as are thus disengaged, and all other parts of the same which it shall appear upon an actual survey thereof have not been sold, and which are clear of elder surveys and patents; which sale shall be for current money, or any specie certificate issued by this state, payable the first of