

**T**HE house met. Present the same members as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read. Mr. Charles Ridgely, a delegate returned for Baltimore county, appeared, and after qualifying in the mode prescribed by the constitution and form of government, took his seat in the house.

On the second reading the bill to settle and pay the civil list, and other expences of civil government, agreeably to the order of the day, the question was put, That the clerk to the council be allowed at the rate of £. 200 per annum? The yeas and nays being called for by Mr. Oneale, appeared as follow:

		A F F I R M A T I V E.					
Messieurs	Abell,	Harwood,	M <sup>c</sup> Pherson,	Bond,	Digges,	T. Johnson,	
	Thomas,	Grahame,	Gale,	Matthews,	Quynn,	Faw,	
	Key,	Dent,	Stewart,	Craufurd,	Duvall,	Downes,	
	R. Miller,	Parnham,	Pattison,	F. Bowie,	Brown,	Walker.	25.
Nicholls,							
		N E G A T I V E.					
Messieurs	Read,	Ridgely,	Lecompte,	Joshua Seney,	Mitchell,	Cellars,	
	N. Worthington,	Sherwood,	S. Miller,	Jackson,	Scott,	Oneale,	
	Taney,	Tilghman,	John Seney,	Purnell,	Norris,	Griffith.	20.
	Cockey,	Shaw,					

So it was resolved in the affirmative.

On progression in reading the said bill, the question was put, That the clerk of the senate be allowed at the rate of £. 50 per annum? Determined in the negative.

On motion, the question was put, That the clerk of the senate be allowed at the rate of £. 30 per annum? Resolved in the affirmative.

On further progression in reading the said bill, the question was put, That the printer to the state be allowed at the rate of £. 375 per annum? Resolved in the affirmative.

On further progression in reading the said bill, the question was put, That the messenger to the council be allowed at the rate of £. 50 per annum? Determined in the negative.

On further progression in reading the said bill, the question was put, That each delegate to congress from this state be allowed 35/ per day for every day he shall attend, or be on his journey to or from, congress? The yeas and nays being called for by Mr. Ridgely, appeared as follow:

		A F F I R M A T I V E.					
Messieurs	R. Miller,	Dent,	Gale,	Matthews,	Jackson,	Downes,	
	Read,	Parnham,	Stewart,	S. Miller,	Brown,	Loockerman,	
	Harwood,	M <sup>c</sup> Pherson,	Shaw,	Craufurd,	Purnell,	Walker,	
	N. Worthington,	Chapman,	Pattison,	Digges,	Mitchell,	Cellars,	
	P. Worthington,	Cockey,	Lecompte,	John Seney,	Scott,	Oneale,	
Taney,	Sherwood,	Bond,	Joshua Seney,	Norris,	Griffith.	38.	
Grahame,	Tilghman,						
		N E G A T I V E.					
Mess.	Thomas,	Ridgely,	Quynn,	Duvall,	T. Johnson,	Faw.	8.
	Nicholls,	F. Bowie,					

So it was resolved in the affirmative.

On motion, ORDERED, That the bill to settle and pay the civil list, and other expences of civil government, be postponed for further consideration till Friday next; and that the clerk of the council lay before the house on that day, a true account of the number of days each member has attended his duty as counsellor, as also of their proceedings in the course of the last year.

Charles Carroll, of Carrollton, Esquire, from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act to fix the holding of the general court for the eastern shore at Talbot; endorsed: "By the senate, November 27, 1787: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order,

J. DORSEY, clk.

"By the senate, November 27, 1787: Read the second time by especial order and will pass.

"By order,

J. DORSEY, clk."

Which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

ORDERED, That the said bill have a second reading on Monday the third day of December next.

Mr. Matthews, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act to repeal part of the eighteenth section of an act, entitled, An act to appropriate certain land to the use of the officers and soldiers of this state, and for the sale of vacant lands; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. F. Bowie, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker the following report: THE committee to whom was referred the petition of Bennett Hamilton, of Charles county, beg leave to report, that the facts stated therein appearing true, they think it consistent with reason and humanity, that a resolution should pass directing the commissioners of the tax for the said county, to make such allowance for insolvencies as to them shall seem just and right. All which is submitted to the honourable house.

By order,

A. GOLDER, clk.

Which was read.

A petition from Thomas Butt, on behalf of the representatives of Edward Butt, deceased, praying the auditor-general may be directed to issue certificates to the deceased's brothers and sisters, who