

TUESDAY, December 2, 1788.

THE house met. Present the same members as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read.

A petition from the justices of Frederick county, praying an act may pass for lowering the rent of tobacco inspected and received at the warehouse in Frederick town, and to enable the justices to erect a house for the inspection of tobacco on a piece of ground the property of Frederick county, was preferred and read.

Mr. Matthews, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act to make valid the proceedings of Augustine parish, in Cæcil county; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

A petition from James Smith, of Frederick town, counter to the petition of the justices of Frederick county, was preferred, read, and referred, with the said petition, to Mr. Faw, Mr. Potts and Mr. Chapman, to consider and report thereon.

The report on the petition of Thomas Rufston, was read the second time, and the question put, That the house concur therewith? The yeas and nays being called for by Mr. O'Neale, appeared as follow:

		A F F I R M A T I V E					
Messieurs	Forrest,	Frazier,	Steele,	Cranford,	Durall,	J. M. Pherson,	
	Chilton,	Fitzhugh,	Bond,	Diggs,	J. Pughman,	Pinkney,	
	W. Tilghman,	Chamberlaine,	Matthews,	F. Bowie,	Sewell,	Conner,	
	Reed,	Murray,	Brayard,	Quynn,	W. Purnell,	Lynn,	
	Mercer,	Lecompte,					
		N E G A T I V E					
Messieurs	Thomas,	Chapman,	Polk,	Houfton,	Edmondson,	Taylor,	
	Harwood,	W. M. Pherson,	Waggaman,	Potts,	Maion,	Crabb,	
	Worthington,	Ridgely,	Seney,	Gwinn,	Sprigg,	Crampton,	
	Gantt,	Ridgely, of Wm.	J. S. Purnell,	Norris,	Shryock,	O'Neale,	
	Dent,	Cockey,	Dennis,	Scott,			

So it was determined in the negative.

On motion, the question was put, That the house reconsider the above question? Resolved in the affirmative.

Agreeably to order, the house resolved itself into a committee of the whole; Mr. Dent in the chair. After some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Chairman reported, that the committee had, according to order, taken into their consideration the subject matter referred to them, but not having had time to go through the same, had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

RESOLVED, That this house will, on to-morrow morning at the meeting of the house, resolve itself into a committee of the whole, to consider further of the same.

The house adjourns till to-morrow morning 9 o'clock.

WEDNESDAY, December 3, 1788.

THE house met. Present the same members as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read.

The bill for the benefit of John Bowen, a late officer in the continental army, was read the second time, passed, and sent to the senate by Mr. Ridgely, of William.

John Henry Esquire, from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the supplement to the act, entitled, An act for the relief of disabled and maimed officers, soldiers, marines and seamen, endorsed; "By the senate, December 1, 1788: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order, J. DORSEY, clk.

"By the senate, December 2, 1788: Read the second time by especial order and will pass.

"By order, J. DORSEY, clk.

Ordered to be engrossed. The resolution in favour of Samuel Groom Osborne, endorsed; "By the senate, December 2, 1788: Read and dissenting to.

"By order, J. DORSEY, clk.

And a petition from Isaac and Abraham Vanbibber, of Baltimore town, respecting the interest upon certain certificates, endorsed; "By the senate, December 2, 1788: Read and referred to the consideration of the house of delegates.

"By order, J. DORSEY, clk.

Which was read.

RESOLVED, That the members of this house will, on Monday next, take an oath to support the constitution for the United States of America, proposed by the convention assembled at Philadelphia, and ratified by the convention of this state.

ORDERED, That the same be taken into consideration on Friday next.

Agreeably to order, the house resolved itself into a committee of the whole; Mr. Dent in the chair. After some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Chairman reported, that the committee had, according to order, taken into their consideration the subject matter to them referred, and had agreed on the following resolutions, viz.