

N E G A T I V E.

Carroll,	N. Worthington,	Sherwood,	Miller,	Holland,	Swearingen,
H. Powell,	Hawkins,	Waggaman,	T. Marshall,	Wilton,	Oncala,
T. Bond,	Ridgely, of Wm.	Lowel,	T. Gantt,	Duglafs,	Deakins,
T. Kinggold,	G ough,	Frazier,	Sency,	Whitely,	Tomlinson.
Comogys,	Cockey,	Eccleston,	O'Byron,		28

So it was determined in the negative.

The clerk of the senate delivers the address to the honourable John Henry and Charles Carroll, of Carrollton, Esquires, endorsed; "By the senate, December 13, 1791: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order,

H. RIDGELY, clk.

"By the senate, December 15, 1791: Read the second time and diffented to.

"By order,

H. RIDGELY, clk."

The following message:

BY THE SENATE, DECEMBER 15, 1791.

GENTLEMEN,

WE have diffented to your address to the representatives of this state in the senate of the United States, because it enters into a detail of facts and opinions, some of which appear doubtful, and would answer no good purpose at this time to investigate. We concur with you in opinion, that the senate of the United States should open their doors when sitting in a legislative capacity, and have sent you an address confined to that single object, which we hope will meet with your assent.

By order,

H. RIDGELY, clk.

And the following address:

To the honourable JOHN HENRY and CHARLES CARROLL, of CARROLLTON, Esquires, representatives of the state of Maryland in the senate of the United States.

GENTLEMEN,

THE legislature of Maryland, impressed with the propriety of opening the doors of the senate of the United States when sitting in their legislative capacity, recommend to your attention and exertions the attainment of this object, which they consider as a matter of importance.

By order,

H. RIDGELY, clk.

Which were read.

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

THE committee to whom was referred the letter from his excellency George Plater, Esquire, governor, enclosing a letter from Mr. Shaw, carpenter and joiner, respecting the repairs necessary to the government house, report, that they have examined the situation of those buildings, and find that they are in a ruinous situation, and in great want of repair; they therefore recommend the following resolution:

RESOLVED, That the governor and council be and they are hereby authorized and empowered to contract with some skilful person to make the necessary repairs to the government house, and that they draw orders on the treasurer of the western shore, not exceeding the sum of seven hundred and fifty pounds, who is hereby directed to pay the same out of any unappropriated money in his hands, for the purpose of making the necessary repairs to the said house.

By order,

N. PINKNEY, clk.

Which was read the first and second time, concurred with, and the resolution therein assented to, and sent to the senate by the clerk.

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

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of captain Ford, and the officers of the Maryland line who have not received the depreciation of their pay, and who are not included in the provision of congress for the payment thereof, having resigned before the end of three years service, report, that they have considered the justice of their claim, and cannot discover any solid distinction between their claim to the depreciation of their pay for the time they served, than the officers provided for by congress, who fought by their sides, and have been paid for the same time. Your committee can discover no greater injury to the state by paying their own officers in the first instance, if the depreciation of the pay of the officers of other states is not charged to the continent, than if the whole was charged to, and paid by, the continent, as they presume the number of the officers in this situation will probably be in proportion to our continental quota of taxation. Your committee therefore are of opinion that they ought to be paid their depreciation. Your committee submit to the house the auditor's state of their claims, which your committee pray may be viewed as part of their report. All which is submitted to the honourable house.

By order,

C. WAYMAN, clk.

Which was read.

Mr. Wright, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act to prevent corruption, and secure the freedom of elections; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

The bill to prevent abuses in making of bricks, and to ascertain the dimensions thereof, was read the second time, passed, and sent to the senate by the clerk.

The bill respecting Mr. de la Fayette, was read the second time and passed.

The clerk of the senate delivers the resolution in favour of William M'Laughlin and Philip Gray: bill, endorsed; "By the senate, December 6, 1791: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

By order,

H. RIDGELY, clk.

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