

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

Messieurs	Ford, Hopewell, Hebb, Brogden, Hall,	Brome, M ^c Pherfon, Thomas, Digges, Ridgely,	T. Worthington, Ridgely, of Wm. H. Johnson, Harwood, Nutter,	Miller, Hollingworth, Kent, Earle, Wilson,	Jamison, Beatty, M ^c Comas, Driver,	J. Clarke, Oncale, Davis, Lockett.	28.
Messieurs	Spencer, Barroll, J. Worthington, Ridout,	Merryman, Kerr, Carroll, Gale,	Frazier, R. Bond, Carnan, Wootton,	Sprigg, Brown, Baer, Shriver,	Montgomery, M ^c Kim, Winchester, Schnebely,	Kersner, Hughes, Brookes.	23.

So it was resolved in the affirmative.

ORDERED, That Mr. Digges, Mr. M^cPherfon, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Jamison and Mr. Baer, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

Mr. Mackall is excused for absenting himself without leave.

On motion, the question was put, That the house reconsider the bill to provide a compensation for the militia of this state who have been called into actual service? Resolved in the affirmative.

The following message being prepared was sent to the senate, with the resolution in favour of Rachel Cowden, by the clerk.

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, DECEMBER 18, 1794.

GENTLEMEN OF THE SENATE,

WE return you the resolution in favour of Rachel Cowden for reconsideration. The facts existing in the case appeared to us to be, that the claim of the state arises from a purchase made by her late husband of the commissioners of confiscated property of a lot in Charles-town, which, at the time of purchase, was represented to be unincumbered, although the title thereto was in a certain Jonathan Hudson. It appeared to us, that a court of chancery would vacate the sale, and order her husband's bond to be delivered up. But considering the circumstances of the petitioner, and the smallness of the sum claimed, we are unwilling to compel her to resort there for redress. The costs, and other expences, attending which, would be nearly equal to the sum claimed, and which the petitioner must inevitably defray. You will please to recollect, that although the interest, if any, acquired by the purchase, has descended to the children of Mr. Cowden, the personal estate is the fund from which the debt must be first paid, and to exhaust that would injure the petitioner as well as her children. As Mrs. Cowden is unquestionably entitled to relief, and the only obstacle to the granting it by the legislature arises from the claim of the children, we are willing to annex to the resolution, as a condition upon which she shall obtain her husband's bond, that security shall be given to indemnify the state against the claim of Mr. Cowden's heirs, which is all we conceive necessary to secure the state.

By order, W. HARWOOD, clk.

On motion, the question was put, That this house will sit, for the dispatch of public business the remainder of this session, from nine o'clock in the morning till two o'clock in the afternoon, and from four till eight in the evening? The yeas and nays being required by three members, appeared as follow:

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Messieurs	Ford, Hopewell, Hebb, Spencer, J. Worthington, Ridout, Hall, Freeland, M ^c Pherfon,	Digges, Ridgely, T. Worthington, Ridgely, of Wm. Merryman, H. Johnson, Gale, Waggaman,	Frazier, Martin, Gordon, Craig, R. Bond, Miller, Hollingworth, Carnan,	Kent, Earle, Brown, Dennis, Whittington, Robins, Willson, Baer,	Jamison, Beatty, Jarrett, M ^c Comas, J. Clarke, M ^c Kim, Winchester, Kersner,	Hughes, Oncale, Davis, Brookes, Lockett, Cresap, Lynn, Beall.	49.
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Messieurs	Barroll, Ringgold, Brogden,	Kerr, Harwood,	Goldborough, Carroll,	Nutter, Wootton,	Quynn, Montgomery,	Driver, Schnebely.	13.
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So it was resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Speaker laid before the house a letter of resignation from Mr. Richard Sprigg; which was read.

ORDERED, That a warrant of election issue to the sheriff of Prince-George's county, for electing one member in the room of Mr. Richard Sprigg, returnable on or before the first Monday of March next.

The following message being prepared, was sent to the senate by the clerk.

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, DECEMBER 18, 1794.

GENTLEMEN OF THE SENATE,

WE agree to the proposition contained in your message of yesterday to close the present session on Monday next, if the necessary business can be completed. To accomplish this purpose, we have determined to sit the remainder of the session from nine o'clock in the morning until two in the afternoon, and from five until eight in the evening.

By order, W. HARWOOD, clk.

On motion by Mr. Driver, seconded by Mr. J. Clarke, Leave given to bring in a supplement to the act, entitled, An act for the removal of the seat of justice from Melville's Warehouse to Pig Point, in Caroline county. ORDERED, That Mr. J. Clarke, Mr. Gale and Mr. Driver, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.