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| Mackall,    | Ward,    | Magruder  | Burgess,      | Hammond, | Archer, |
| H. Ridgely, | Job,     | Stricker, | Déye,         | Stull,   | Norris. |
| Fitzhugh,   | E. Hall, | Beatty,   | J. Stevenfon, | M'Comas, |         |

So it was resolved in the affirmative.

Upton Sheredine, Esq. from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act for the relief of Joseph Cowman, of Anne-Arundel county; a bill, entitled, An act to empower Thomas Harrison to lay out anew and amend the streets, lanes, and alleys, of that part of Baltimore-town, commonly called the Marshy-ground; and a bill, entitled, An act to enable the justices of Frederick and Montgomery counties to assess a sum of money sufficient to defray the expences of the commissioners in dividing Frederick county; severally endorsed; "By the senate, December 19, 1779: Read the first and second time by especial order and will pass.

"By order,

H. RIDGELY, cl. sen."

Which were ordered to be engrossed.

The house adjourns till 3 o'clock.

P O S T M E R I D I E M.

The house met

The bill to prevent distilling grain into spirit, was sent to the senate by Mr. Wilmer and Mr. Reed.

Matthew Tilghman, Esq. from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the bill, entitled, An act for securing the title of the proprietors of lots and houses in Charles-town in Charles county, thus endorsed; "By the senate, December 19, 1779: Read the first and second time by especial order and will pass.

"By order,

H. RIDGELY, cl. sen."

The bill, entitled, An act to empower the vestry of St. Paul's parish, in Baltimore county, to exchange certain lands with Thomas Harrison, for the use of said parish, and for other purposes therein mentioned, thus endorsed; "By the senate, December 19, 1779: Read the first and second time by especial order and will pass.

"By order,

H. RIDGELY, cl. sen."

Which were ordered to be engrossed.

And a bill, entitled, An act to empower Basil Burgess, of Anne-Arundel county, to sell the lands therein mentioned, thus endorsed; "By the senate, December 19, 1779: Read the first and second time by especial order and will not pass.

"By order,

H. RIDGELY, cl. sen."

ORDERED, That the bill for the regulation of prices have a second reading to-morrow three o'clock in the afternoon.

On considering the report from the committee appointed to enquire into the auditor's office, &c. and the report from the committee appointed to enquire into the state of the galleys, &c.

ORDERED, That leave be given to bring in a bill to empower the governor and the council to pay and discharge the officers, mariners, and marines, belonging to the galleys; to authorize the governor and the council to sell at public sale the galleys, and such part of the naval stores as they may think proper; to sell at public sale such of the military stores as they may think superfluous and not necessary for the use of the militia; to sell the salt-pans or kettles, or saltpetre in the public stores, or in the hands of contractors; to authorize the governor and council to incorporate the privates belonging to the artillery companies in Annapolis and Baltimore, with some one of the companies from this state in the continental army; to empower and request the governor and council to discharge the manager of the state tan-yard, and if they think proper to dispose of the said tan-yard; to authorize and request the governor and council to discharge, as unnecessary, the two quarter-masters, the commissary of stores, the surgeon, and person employed in the victualling-office, and to sell the horses and waggons; and to appoint one or more fit and active persons to take into possession what may remain.

ORDERED, That Mr. J. Hanson and Mr. Sprigg deliver a copy of the report from the committee appointed to enquire into the state of the galleys, &c. to the governor and council; and to request them to cause a particular enquiry to be made into the purchases by, and the issues from, the victualling-office, and to call on the officers or others receiving provisions to render an account of the expediture.

ORDERED, That Mr. Chase, Mr. Wilmer, Mr. Williamson, Mr. Lethbury, and Mr. M'Mechin, do prepare a bill to empower the governor and council to sell the public property.

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