

William Hindman, Esq. from the Senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the Bill, entitled, An Act to prevent the raising Geese and Swine in the Town of Cambridge, thus endorsed; "By the Senate, November 20th. 1779 Read the first Time and ordered to lie on the Table. By Order A. Ridgely C. Secy." By the Senate, November 23rd 1779 Read the second Time by a general Order and will pass.

Ordered to be engrossed.

By Order A. Ridgely C. Secy.

And a Petition of Andrew Leiper of Ann Arundel County, praying not to be burthened with the Tax upon two thousand Pounds which was found in his Possession by the Assessor, and which he alleges was the Property of his Brother; endorsed; "By the Senate, Nov. 23 1779 Read and referred to the Consideration of the House of Delegates. By Order A. Ridgely, (P. Secy.) which was read and ordered to lie on the Table

The House adjourns till 3 O'Clock

Post Meridiem. The House met.

The Bill entitled, an Act for the furtherance of Justice in a particular Cause, read the second Time by a special Order and will pass. So endorsed, and sent to the Senate by Mr. Daye and Mr. McEchlin.

In Obsecince to the Order of the House, the late Sheriff of Ann Arundel County attended at the Bar and being examined on the Laws and Votes and Proceedings of the last Session of Assembly not being conveyed to several Counties on the Eastern Shore, alleges, that he delivered them to the Sheriff of Queen Anne's County, and if indulged a few Days will produce said Sheriff's Receipt for them. Whereupon he is allowed until Monday next to produce said Receipt.

William Chase Esq. from the Senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker a Bill, entitled, An act for establishing the Mode of Ordination of Ministers of the Church of England, for the present, thus endorsed; "By the Senate, November 24th 1779 Read the first Time and ordered to lie on the Table by Order A. Ridgely C. Secy." By the Senate November 25. 1779 Read the first Time and will pass. By Order A. Ridgely C. Secy." Which was read the first Time and ordered to lie on the Table. Mr. J. Hanson hath leave of Absence until Monday next

The House adjourns till To Morrow morning 9 O'clock

Wednesday, November 26. 1779

The House met. Present as on yesterday except Mr. J. Hanson. The Proceedings of Yesterday were read. The engrossed Bill No. 4 was read and affronted to and sent to the Senate, with the paper Bill thereto, by Mr. Smart & Mr. Collyer. Mr. Williamson appeared in the House. Mr. Keene hath leave of Absence until Saturday next.

Mr. Chase brings in & delivers to Mr. Speaker the following Report

The Committee appointed to consider and report the most effectual proportionate and means to comply with the Requisition of Congress of the 6th of October last, beg Leave to report, That they have maturely considered the Subject matter referred to them, and have come to the following Resolutions

1st. That the Assessments & Tax under the late Laws to raise the Current Supplies are unequal & unjust; that by the present System the Holders of Money are required to pay more than they ought, but by an Evasion of the Law they contribute very little to the publick Burthen; wherefore your Committee are of Opinion, that some Mode be adopted to lay an equal Tax on Money, & to compel Payment of such Tax.

2^d. That it is the Opinion of the Committee, that not less than a monthly Tax of £3 on every £100 of Property in this State would raise our Quota of 15 Million of Dollars monthly, as required by Congress, which in the Month would be £37. for every £100 of Property.

3. That it is impracticable to raise the sum of 16,220,000 Dollars required by Congress, as the Quota of this State, in nine months (to wit, from the first of February to the first of October inclusive.)