

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, OCTOBER, 1778.

A sufficient number of members to proceed to business being convened, they severally qualified in the presence of each other, before John Brice, Esq; one of the justices of the peace for Anne-Arundel county, by taking the oath prescribed by the form of government.

A letter from Turbutt Wright, Esq; was read, notifying his resignation as a member of the senate.

A letter from his Excellency General Washington to the president of the senate and speaker of the house of delegates, respecting the rank and arrangement of the Maryland officers, was read, and referred to the house of delegates.

A petition from Charles Carroll, Esq; to the general assembly of Maryland, praying a repeal of the tender law passed February session 1777, was read and referred to the house of delegates.

The petition of Charles White and Nicholas Ridgely Warfield, praying an augmentation of their allowance as inspectors, was read and referred to the house of delegates,

The several letters and petitions before mentioned were sent to the house of delegates by Matthew Tilghman, Esq;

Brice T. B. Worthington, Esq; appeared in the senate, and took the oath of fidelity to this state before Allen Quynn, Esq;

The senate adjourns till Monday morning 9 o'clock.

M O N D A Y, November 9, 1778.

THE senate met. Present the same members as on Saturday. George Plater and Thomas Stone, Esquires, appeared in the senate and took the oath of fidelity to this state before Allen Quynn, Esq;

Messieurs Worthington and Woolford from the house of delegates, deliver to the president the following message:

By the HOUSE of DELEGATES, October 27, 1778.

May it please your honours,

THIS house hath appointed from nine o'clock in the morning until three in the afternoon, for its sitting every day during this session for the dispatch of public business.

By order,

J. DUCKETT, cl. ho. del.

Messieurs R. Goldsborough and Jackson from the house of delegates, deliver to the president a bill, entitled, An act for the relief of sundry inhabitants of this state, thus endorsed; "By the house of delegates, October 29, 1778: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

" Signed by order

J. DUCKETT, cl. ho. del.

" By the house of delegates, October 29, 1778: Read the second time by especial order and will pass.

" Signed by order,

J. DUCKETT, cl. ho. del."

Messieurs J. Hanson and Crabb from the house of delegates, deliver to the president the bill, entitled, An act for the adjournment and continuance of several of the county courts within this state, thus endorsed; "By the house of delegates, October 31, 1778: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

" By order,

J. DUCKETT, cl. ho. del.

" By the house of delegates, October 31, 1778: Read the second time by especial order and will pass.

" By order,

J. DUCKETT, cl. ho. del."

Messieurs Brice and Gresham from the house of delegates, deliver to the president the following resolution:

By the HOUSE of DELEGATES, October 29, 1778.

RESOLVED, That the governor and council be authorized and empowered to grant a permit, under proper limitations and restrictions, and after all requisites are complied with, to captain Styles, commander of the schooner Swan, now lying in Patapsco river, to load with bread and flour, or other provisions, on account of congress.

Read and assented to. By order,

J. DUCKETT, cl. ho. del.

Messieurs Maccubbin and Gantt from the house of delegates, deliver to the president a bill, entitled, An act to revive and aid the proceedings of Talbot county court, and for other purposes therein mentioned, thus endorsed; "By the house of delegates, November 2, 1778: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

" By order,

J. DUCKETT, cl. ho. del.

" By the house of delegates, November 6, 1778: Read the second time and will pass.

" By order,

J. DUCKETT, cl. ho. del."

Messieurs Cramphin and Norris from the house of delegates, deliver to the president the following message:

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