

A remonstrance of John Duckett, praying to be reinstated in his appointment as clerk to this house, was preferred and read.

Mr. Earle brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act for the seizure and confiscation of British property; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

The petition of Dr. Gustavus Brown was read the second time and granted, and thereupon RESOLVED, That the governor and the council be requested to recommend the said Gustavus Brown to his Excellency the commander in chief, or to the commanding officer at Elizabeth-town, for his licence to go into the city of New-York, to obtain a passage to Great-Britain, and, under the peculiar circumstances of his case, to return again to this state.

The house adjourns till half past 2 o'clock.

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

The house met.

A representation of John Bullen, assistant quarter-master at Annapolis, requesting to be supplied with £. 10,000 for the use of his department, was preferred and read.

The order of the day, that this house will resolve itself into a committee of the whole, is further postponed until Monday morning.

William Hindman, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker a draught of a letter to the minister of France, which was read and approved of.

ORDERED, That Mr. Speaker join the president of the senate in signing and communicating the same.

The house adjourns till Monday morning half past 8 o'clock.

M O N D A Y, April 3, 1780.

THE house met. Present the same members as on Saturday, except Mr. Gaunt, Mr. Bruff, Mr. C. Ridgely, Mr. E. Hall, Mr. H. Ridgely, Mr. B. Hall, and Mr. Ringgold. The proceedings of Saturday were read.

William Paca, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker a memorial from sundry inhabitants of Baltimore-town and Baltimore county, against the passage of the bill for the seizure and confiscation of British property; a petition of William Perkins, of Prince-George's county; a petition of Benjamin Cawood, jun. collector of the tax for Charles county, praying to be allowed a further time for collecting the assessment; a petition of sundry inhabitants of Baltimore county in favour of confiscation, &c. and a petition from sundry nonjurors; severally endorsed; "By the senate, April 3, 1780: Read and referred to the consideration of the house of delegates.

"By order,

H. RIDGELY, clk."

Which were read.

The house adjourns till half past 2 o'clock.

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

The house met. Mr. Sprigg appeared in the house.

The petition and remonstrance of Samuel Boggess, of Frederick county, was read the second time and rejected for want of notice being given agreeable to a resolve of this house.

Richard Barnes, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker instructions from sundry persons in Kent county, to the general assembly, relative to the seizure and confiscation of British property, endorsed; "By the senate, April 3, 1780: Read and referred to the consideration of the house of delegates.

"By order,

H. RIDGELY, clk."

Which were read.

The petition of H. Stevenson was read the second time, and referred to the committee of claims.

The representation and requisition of John Bullen was read the second time and referred to Mr. Eccleston, Mr. W. Steventon, Mr. Quynn, Mr. Wilmer, and Mr. Deye, who are appointed a committee to consider and report on the same.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a bill, entitled, A supplement to the act for recruiting the quota of troops of this state in the American army. ORDERED, That Mr. John Henry, Mr. J. Hall, Mr. Job, and Mr. Earle, do prepare and bring in the same.

The petition of Benjamin Cawood was read the second time, and referred to the committee appointed to prepare and bring in a bill to aid the proceedings of the commissioners of the tax.

The remonstrance of John Duckett was read the second time, and referred for consideration to the next session of assembly.

The petition of William Perkins was read the second time and rejected.

RESOLVED, That Mr. Speaker be requested to join the president of the senate in a letter to the gentlemen appointed delegates to congress, acquainting them of their election.

Mr. Williamson appeared in the house.