

Negative

Mr. Hall, Williamson, Magwood, Dennis, Deys, Barnes, Jagg, Culver.
 Mr. Sotherby, Smith, Ligon, Stricker, Mr. Freshin,
 Worthington, Crawford, Chase, (Jungos, Alexander,
 Fitzhugh, Hall,

So it passed in the Affirmative.

Upton Sherodino, Esq from the Senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the Bill, entitled An Act to prohibit for a limited Time the Exportation of Wheat &c. endorsed; "By the Senate, December 14th 1779. Read the first Time and ordered to lie on the Table. By Order H. Ridgely, C. Secy. By the Senate Dec: 15th 1779: Read the second Time by especial Order and will pass. By Order M. J. G. P. Secy."

Ordered to be engrossed

Mr. J. Hanson, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a Bill, entitled, An Act for the Regulation of Duels, and other Purposes therein mentioned; which was read the first Time and ordered to lie on the Table. Mr. Gaunt hath Leave of Absence. The House adjourns till Monday Morning 9 O'Clock

Thursday, December 16th 1779.

The House met. Present as on yesterday except Mr. Gaunt. The Proceedings of yesterday were read. Mr. Norris appeared in the House. Mr. Williams, Mr. Dashiell, and Mr. J. Hanson, have Leave of Absence. Mr. John Stevenson, a Delegate returned for Baltimore County, appeared, and after being duly qualified he took his seat in the House.

Mr. Maubbin brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker the following Report

By the Committee appointed to enquire into and report the state and Condition of the Gallies and Boats belonging to this State, and the Number of Officers, Marines and Mariners in the marine Department, the Number of Cannon and small Arms, and the Quantity and Condition of the Military and Naval Stores belonging to this State, the monthly Expence of the marine, the annual Expence of the victualling Office, the Amount of Provisions purchased by that Office in the Year last past, and the monthly Issues from the said Office, the Expence of the public Tan Yard, and the Condition and Benefit arising therefrom to the public, the Annual Expence of the Fortification and Artillery Companies in the City of Annapolis and Baltimore Town, the Number of Officers and Privates now belonging to the said Companies, the public Stores in the Possession of the Commissary of Stores, and the probable Expence of the Repairs and Outfits of each of the Gallies for a Cruise for a Month or longer Time

Your Committee, in Obedience to the Order of the honourable House, have enquired into the State of the Gallies and ~~that~~ Boats, which they find in the following Condition

That the Galley Chester, mounts four Eighteen Pounders, ten four pounders, and ten Swivel Guns, her Sails and Rigging compleat, but half worn, her Bottom much damaged by the Worms, and unfit for Service, until repaired, has two small Boats, two Barrels of Powder, and twenty Rounds of Shot.

That the Galley Conqueror, mounts four Eighteen Pounder, ten four pounders, and ten Swivel Guns, her Sails and Rigging nearly compleat, and more than half worn, her Bottom in the same Situation with the Chester's, has one old Boat and ten Rounds of Shot

That the Galley Independence has on Board two Eighteen pounders, two twelve pounders, and six Swivel Guns, her Sails and Rigging compleat, all but two top gallant sails and the Rigging, her Hull in pretty good Repair, her Rudders too small, has two Barrels of Powder, twenty rounds of Shot, and two Boats.

That the Dolphin has been new bottomed, has new sails and partly new Rigging, has eight Swivel Guns, a small Quantity of Powder and Shot, and one Boat