

of Stores, the Surgeon, and Person employed in the victualling Office, and to sell the Waggon and horses; and to appoint one or more fit and active Persons to take into Possession what may remain. Ordered, That Mr. Hanson and Mr. Sprigg deliver a Copy of the Report from the Committee appointed to enquire into the State of the Gallies &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. Chafe, Mr. Wilmer, Mr. Williamson, Mr. Dothibury, and Mr. Machin, 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

Monday, December 20th 1779

The House met Present as on Yesterday. The Proceedings of Yesterday were read. Mr. C. Hall hath Leave of Absence. Mr. Worthington appeared in the House.

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

The Committee to whom was referred the Memorials of Thomas Brooke Hodgkin, Clerk of the General Court on the Western Shore, Eliu Vaillette, Keeper of the Records of the late Prerogative Office, and William Hyde, Register in Chancery, beg Leave to report, that the Movements of the common Enemy have made it repeatedly necessary to remove the Papers of their respective Offices to Places of greater Safety, which has been productive of much Confusion and Disorder; that the Security of Individuals, interested in the preservation of the said Papers, as well as the Dispatch of judicial Proceedings, makes it necessary that the Papers aforesaid should be methodically arranged; that great Care, considerable Time and Attention, will necessarily be employed in the Execution of this Purpose, which being foreign to the Duty of the Petitioners, cannot be expected will be bestowed on them without a particular and satisfactory Reward. That One thousand Pounds to Mr. Hodgkin, seven hundred and fifty Pounds to Mr. Vaillette, seven hundred and fifty Pounds to Mr. Hyde, will, in the Opinion of your Committee, be an adequate Compensation for the Trouble of arranging alphabetically and methodically the Papers of their respective Offices.

That the Petitions of William Gibson, Clerk of Baltimore County, and Walter Hanson of Charles County, are answered by the Encrease of Officers Fees, as far as is convenient & proper to do at this Time which was read.

Mr. Chafe brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a Bill, entitled, An Act for calling out of Circulation certain Bills of Credit emitted by Acts of Assembly, which was read the first Time and ordered to lie on the Table.

On Motion, the Question was put, that fourteen Pounds per Annum (Money per Day) be allowed to each Member of the General Assembly, during his Attendance this Session of Assembly, and fourteen Pounds a Day for Itinerant Charges, besides their Expences for Journeys across the Bay? The Yeas and Nays being called for by Mr. Doy, appeared as follow

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| | Jordan, | Williamson, | Birkhead, | Bruff, | Hanson, | Barnes, |
| | Machale, | Smith, | B. Hall, | Briggott, | Beatty, | Mr. Comas, |
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| | Mr. Worthington, | Leard, | Burgess, | Stovonson, | Sprigg, | Archer, |
| | Mr. Ridgely, | Crawford, | Bayly, | Hammond, | | |

So it was resolved in the Affirmative