

And the engrossed Bill N^o 5 with the Paper Bill thereof, thus endorsed "By the Senate December 17th 1779: Read and reported to

By Order W. Ridgely C. Secy

Which said Bill was read and reported to the House proceeded to a second reading the Title for the Limitation of Prices, and after spending some Time therein, adjourned till To-morrow (Morning 9 o'Clock)

Tuesday December 21st 1779

The House met Present as on Yesterday, except Mr. Wall. The Proceedings of Yesterday were read. Mr. Wilmer hath Leave of Absence on Account of the Indisposition of his Family. Mr. Damming hath Leave of Absence. Mr. Wall appeared in the House.

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

The Committee appointed to report to the Honourable House on the Letter received from Robert Troup, Secretary to the Board of Treasury at Philadelphia, dated the 7th December 1779, enclosing an Extract of a Resolve of Congress of the 7th of October last, directing their Treasurers to transmit to Congress, on the first Day of every Month, Returns of the Sum of Money which they may have respectively received for supplying the Continental Army. Your Committee beg Leave to report, that in their Opinion all Monies for continental Purposes ought to be placed in the continental Treasury of this State, and Returns made as directed by Congress, by which Means Congress will receive the Information they require, and be enabled to direct the Application of the Money. Your Committee beg Leave to observe, that large Sums of Money have at different Times been received from the Continent, and put into the State Treasury, and paid away by the Treasurer, with many other large Sums, for continental Purposes, for which Trust and Profits the Treasurer hath received no Compensation; but should the Money appropriated to continental Purposes be placed in the continental Treasury, the Treasurer would be entitled to the Commission allowed by Congress for his Trouble in transferring that Profits. All which is submitted to the Consideration of the Honourable House.

Signed by Order Nicholas Wood C. Secy

Which was read.

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

By the Committee authorised to enquire into the State of the Public Offices

Your Committee have in consequence of their Appointment, examined the several Accounts and Proceedings of the Commission for emitting Bills of Credit established by Act of Assembly, from the 26th of January 1778 the Date of the last Report, to the 30th of November, inclusive, and find, by the last Account of the Trustees, dated at London, the 24th of February, 1775, there was then £29,000 Capital Stock in the Bank of England belonging to this Province, which cost the Sum of £36,191-6-6 Sterling, and a Balance in their Hands of £470-8 Sterling not invested, and that by the said Account it appears, the Dividends on the said Stock have only been received up to the 10th Day of November 1774. That it appears to your Committee, by a Report made in January 1778, there was then a Balance due to sundry Claimants on the Journal of Accounts and List of Debts passed at November Session 1776, and for which no Payment have been made 1,515^l 2^s 6^d And that there remains in the Office in Bills of Credit of the Emission of of the Year 1767 unapplied, the Sum of

19,639^l 10^s 0^d

That it appears to your Committee, by a Report in January 1778 there was then due from sundry Sheriffs, on Account of ordinary duties the Sum of £1,000-7-3^d Gold Currency, and that there has been due from sundry Sheriffs on that Account the Sum of £693-3-8 Gold Currency, as appears by the following List viz

Thomas Deal's Administrators, Ann Arundel County, for the Year 1776	£ 17 ^l 0 ^s 0 ^d
John Durgess, Ann Arundel County, 1777 and 1778	280 ^l 17 ^s 0 ^d
Benjamin Cawood, Anne Arundel County, 1777 and 1778	71 ^l 5 ^s 0 ^d
Thomas Duckett, Prince Georges County, 1777 and 1778	235 ^l 7 ^s 8 ^d
Daniel Seal, Westminster County, 1777 and 1778	138 ^l 14 ^s 0 ^d

	15,151 ^l 2 ^s 6 ^d