

The bill, entitled, An act for establishing the mode of ordination of ministers of the church of England for the present, sent to the senate by Mr. Keene and Mr. Williamson.

The bill, entitled, An act to incorporate the managers of Back-creek school, sent to the senate by Mr. Winder and Mr. Williams.

The bill, entitled, An act for erecting new warehouses in the town of Bladensburg, sent to the senate by Mr. B. Hall and Mr. Magruder.

Mr. S. Hanson brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker the following report :

By the COMMITTEE appointed to report on the facts set forth in the petition of the proprietors of lots in Charles-town, commonly called Port-Tobacco, in Charles county.

YOUR committee beg leave to report, that having duly examined and considered the same, together with depositions of Thomas Ho e Ridgate, Zephaniah Turner, Robert Mundell, and John Gwinn, do find the facts set forth to be true, and are of opinion the title of the owners of lots merit legislative assistance. All which is submitted to the consideration of the honourable house.

Signed per order of the committee,

A. GOLDER, clk.

Which was read and concurred with, and leave given to bring in a bill agreeable to the prayer of the petition.

Joseph Sim, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker a letter from Ephraim Blaine, Esq; D. C. G. dated Philadelphia, December 6, to his excellency Governor Lee; which was read.

Also a petition from sundry merchants, traders, and other inhabitants, of Baltimore town and county, remonstrating against the bill for the seizure and confiscation of British property, and praying it may not pass into a law, thus endorsed; "By the senate, December 11, 1779: Read and referred to the consideration of the house of delegates."

"By order,

H. RIDGELY, cl. sen.

Upton Sheredine, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the following message :

BY THE SENATE, DECEMBER 11, 1779.

GENTLEMEN,

AS we learn that our delegates now attending in congress are extremely desirous that a new appointment should be made, we are of opinion that it would be proper to go into an immediate choice; and therefore, if agreeable to your house, we propose to ballot for the delegates to congress this afternoon.

By order,

H. RIDGELY, cl. sen.

Which was read.

Matthew Gilgman, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the bill, entitled, An act to enable the corporation of the city of Annapolis to sell certain lands, and to lay a further tax on property within the said city and its precincts, to regulate and license ordinaries and retailers of spirituous liquors within the said city and the precincts thereof, thus endorsed; "By the senate, November 28, 1779: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order,

H. RIDGELY, cl. sen.

"By the senate, December 11, 1779: Read the second time and will pass with the amendments proposed.

"By order,

H. RIDGELY, cl. sen."

Which was read, and the amendments were read as follow :

Strike out from the word "streets," in the eighth line of the first page, to the word "in," in the ninth line of the said page.

Strike out from the word "same," in the twelfth line of the first page, to the word "that," in the thirteenth line of the said page.

Strike out from the word "thereof," in the twentieth line of the first page, to the word "that," in the twenty-first line of the said page.

In the tenth line of the second page, strike out the word "such," and in the same line, between the words "every" and "licence," insert the word "such." After the word "license," in the same line, strike out to the end of the paragraph.

Strike out from the word "streets," in the twentieth line of the second page, to the end of the first enacting clause.

Strike out from the word "proper," in the second line of the third page to the end of the second enacting clause.

Strike out from the word "precincts," in the fourteenth line of the third page, to the end of the clause:

After the last clause in the bill insert the following clause.

"And be it enacted, That the monies arising from the sale of Temple and Dean streets, from the taxes laid and from the fines imposed by the said corporation in virtue of this act, be, and they are hereby, appropriated and applied, four fifths thereof to the building a market house, repairing