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OF

NEW-JERSEY,

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY convened at TRENTON, on TUESDAY the twenty-eighth Day of OCTOBER, in the Year of our LORD One Thousand Seven Hundred and Eighty-eight.



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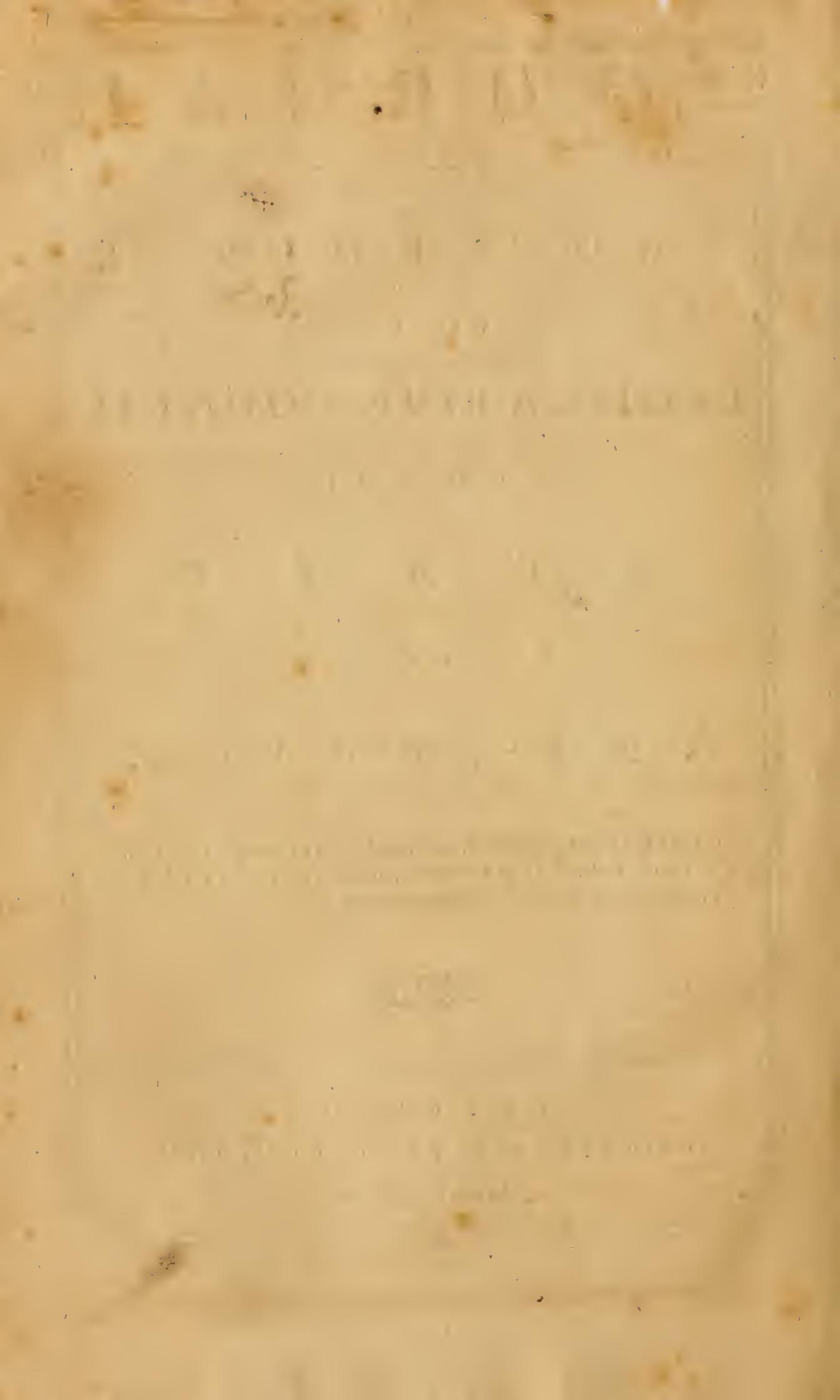
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LIST of Persons returned as MEMBERS of the LEGISLATIVE-COUNCIL.

<p><i>Bergen,</i> <i>Essex,</i> <i>Middlesex,</i> <i>Monmouth,</i> <i>Somerset,</i> <i>Burlington,</i> <i>Gloucester,</i> <i>Salem,</i> <i>Cape-May,</i> <i>Hunterdon,</i> <i>Morris,</i> <i>Cumberland,</i> <i>Suffex,</i></p>	<p>The Honourable</p>	<p>· Peter Haring, · John Chetwood, · Benjamin Manning, · Asher Holmes, · Ephraim Martin, · Joseph Smith, · Joseph Ellis, · John Mayhew, · Jeremiah Eldredge, · Robert-Lettis Hooper, <i>V. P.</i> · Abraham Kitchel, · Samuel Ogden, · Mark Thompson,</p>	<p>} Esquires.</p>
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LIST of Persons returned as MEMBERS of the GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

<i>Bergen,</i>	{	John Outwater, Isaac Nicoll, John Benson,	} Esquires.
<i>Essex,</i>	{	Henry Garritse, Jonas Wade, John Condit,	
<i>Middlesex,</i>	{	John Combs, James Schureman, Melancthon Freeman,	
<i>Monmouth,</i>	{	Joseph Stillwell, Thomas Little, James Rogers,	
<i>Somerset,</i>	{	Edward Bunn, Robert Blair, John Hardenber gh	
<i>Burlington,</i>	{	Joseph Biddle, Robert-Strettle Jones, Daniel Newbold,	
<i>Gloucester,</i>	{	Thomas Clark, Franklin Davenport, Joseph Cooper,	
<i>Salem,</i>	{	Thomas Sinnickson, Edward Hall, Benjamin Holme,	
<i>Cape-May,</i>	{	Matthew Whilden, Elijah Townsend, Richard Townsend,	
<i>Hunterdon,</i>	{	Benj. Van-Cleve, <i>Speaker,</i> John Lambert, Robert Taylor,	
<i>Morris,</i>	{	Ellis Cook, John Starke, Aaron Kitchel,	
<i>Cumberland,</i>	{	John Sheppard, John Burgin, Eli Elmer,	
<i>Suffex,</i>	{	Aaron Hankinson, Charles Beardslee, Christopher Longstreet,	

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LEGISLATIVE-COUNCIL

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STATE OF NEW-JERSEY.

TRENTON, Tuesday, October 28, 1788.

MEMBERS PRESENT.

JOSEPH SMITH, }
EPHRAIM MARTIN, } Esqrs. JOHN MAYHEW, }
ROBERT-LETTIS HOOPER, } SAMUEL OGDEN, } Esqrs.

Wednesday, October 29, 1788.

MEMBERS PRESENT.

ROBERT-LETTIS HOOPER, }
JOSEPH SMITH, } Esqrs. JOHN CHETWOOD, }
EPHRAIM MARTIN, } ABRAHAM KITCHEL, } Esqrs.
JOHN MAYHEW, }
SAMUEL OGDEN, }

JOHN CHETWOOD, Esquire, produced a Certificate of his being duly elected a Member of Council for the County of Essex, which was read and approved; and he thereupon took and subscribed the Oaths required by Law before the Honourable Robert-Lettis Hooper, Esquire, one of the Members returned for this House, and took his Seat in Council.

Robert-Lettis Hooper, Ephraim Martin, John Mayhew, Peter Haring, Samuel Ogden, Abraham Kitchel, and Benjamin Manning, Esquires, severally produced Certificates of their being duly elected Members of this House, which were read and approved; and they thereupon took and subscribed the Oaths

required by Law before the Honourable John Chetwood, Esquire, and took their Seats in Council.

Joseph Smith, Esquire, produced a Certificate of his being duly elected a Member of Council for the County of Burlington, which was read and approved; and he being one of the People called Quakers, took and subscribed the Affirmations required by Law before the Honourable John Chetwood, Esq. and took his Seat in Council.

The Honourable Robert-Lettis Hooper, Esquire, was elected Vice-President of the Council pursuant to the Constitution; whereupon he took the Oath of Office, and was seated in the Chair.

Bowes Reed was unanimously elected Clerk of the Council, and took the Oath of Office accordingly.

A Message from the House of Assembly, dated Yesterday, in the Words following:

Ordered,
 ' THAT Mr. Nicoll do wait on the Council, and acquaint them that
 ' the House of Assembly have this Day proceeded to Business, and have
 ' chosen the Honourable Benjamin Van-Cleve, Esquire, their Speaker.'

Ordered, That Mr. Haring do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that a Quorum of the Council have this Day met, elected the Honourable Robert-Lettis Hooper, Esquire, Vice-President, and proceeded to Business.

Mr. Haring reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

Peter Haring, John Chetwood, Abraham Kitchel, and Benjamin Manning, having severally given their Reasons for their Non-Attendance until this Day,
Resolved, That they are satisfactory.

The House adjourned until ten o'Clock To-morrow Morning.

Thursday, October 30, 1788.

The House met—Present as before, and his Excellency the Governor.

Asher Holmes, Esquire, produced a Certificate of his being duly elected a Member of Council for the County of Monmouth, which was read and approved; and he thereupon took and subscribed the Oaths required by Law before the Honourable John Chetwood, Esquire, and took his Seat in Council.

Asher Holmes, Esquire, having given his Reasons for his Non-Attendance until this Day,

Resolved, That they are satisfactory.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. Outwater, in the Words following:

Ordered,
 ' THAT Mr. Outwater do wait on the Council, and inform them that this
 ' House are ready to go into a Joint-Meeting to appoint a Governor and
 ' other Officers of Government, and do desire that Council will appoint the
 ' Time and Place of Meeting.'

Ordered, That Mr. Chetwood do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that this House will be ready to go into a Joint-Meeting, for the Purpose mentioned in their Message of this Day, To-morrow Afternoon four o'Clock, at the House of Peter Howell.

Mr. Chetwood reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The House adjourned to three o'Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. Garrisse, in the Words following :

Ordered,

THAT Mr. Sheppard, Mr. Blair, Mr. Davenport, Mr. Wade, and Mr. Cook, or any three of them, be a Committee to join a Committee of the Council to settle the Accounts of the Treasurer ; and that Mr. Garrisse do wait on the Council, and request them to appoint a Committee to join the Committee of this House for that Purpose.'

Mark Thompson, Esquire, produced a Certificate of his being duly elected a Member of Council for the County of Sussex, which was read and approved ; and he thereupon took and subscribed the Oaths required by Law before the Honourable John Chetwood, Esquire, and took his Seat in Council.

The House adjourned until ten o'Clock To-morrow Morning.

Friday, October 31, 1788.

The House met—Present as before, except the Governor.

Mark Thompson, Esquire, having given his Reasons for his Non-Attendance until this Day,

Resolved, That they are satisfactory.

Ordered, That Mr. Smith, Mr. Manning and Mr. Holmes, or either of them, be a Committee to join the Committee of the House of Assembly, to settle the Treasurer's Accounts ; and that Mr. Manning do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

Mr. Manning reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

Mr. Kitchel, with Leave of the House, brought in a Bill, intituled, ' An Act to repeal two certain Acts giving to the Secretary of this State an annual Salary,' which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

Mr. Wade, from the House of Assembly, brought to this House the Resolution of Congress for carrying into Operation the Constitution now ratified by eleven States for their Information, which was read, and thereupon,

Ordered, That Mr. Chetwood, Mr. Kitchel and Mr. Thompson, be a Committee to prepare and bring in a Bill for carrying into Operation the said Constitution.

The House adjourned to three o'Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

The House withdrew to attend a Joint-Meeting, and after some Time the House returned.

The Honourable Benjamin Van-Cleve, Esquire, Speaker of the House of Assembly, came into Council, and acquainted the Vice-President, that the House of Assembly had adjourned until three o'Clock Monday Afternoon, then to meet at Princeton, whereupon the Council adjourned to the same Time and Place.

Monday,

Monday, November 3, 1788.

The House met.

P R E S E N T.

His Excellency the GOVERNOR,	
Mr. HARING,	Mr. MANNING,
Mr. CHETWOOD,	Mr. KITCHEL,
Mr. MARTIN,	Mr. SMITH,
Mr. MAYHEW,	Mr. HOLMES.
Mr. OGDEN,	

The House adjourned until ten o'Clock To-morrow Morning.

Tuesday, November 4, 1788.

The House met—Present as before, and the Vice-President, and Mr. Thompson.

His Excellency the Governor absent, being indisposed.

Joseph Ellis, Esq. produced a Certificate of his being duly elected a Member of Council for the County of Gloucester, which was read and approved; and he thereupon, being one of the People called Quakers, took and subscribed the Affirmations required by Law before the Honourable John Chetwood, Esquire, and took his Seat in Council.

Joseph Ellis, Esquire, having given his Reasons for Non-Attendance until this Day,

Resolved, That they are satisfactory.

The Bill, intituled, 'An Act to repeal two certain Acts giving to the Secretary of this State an annual Salary,' was read a second Time, and ordered to be engrossed.

The House adjourned until ten o'Clock To-morrow Morning.

Wednesday, November 5, 1788.

The House met—Present as before.

The House adjourned to three o'Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

The engrossed Bill, intituled, 'An Act to repeal two certain Acts giving to the Secretary of this State an annual Salary,' was read and compared; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It was carried in the Affirmative, as follows:

Yeas.	Yeas.	Nay.
Mr. Haring,	Mr. Ellis,	Mr. Holmes.
Mr. Chetwood,	Mr. Mayhew,	
Mr. Manning,	Mr. Kitchel,	
Mr. Martin,	Mr. Ogden,	
Mr. Smith,	Mr. Thompson.	

Ordered, That the Vice-President do sign the said Bill.

Ordered,

Ordered, That Mr. Holmes do carry the said Bill to the House of Assembly, and request their Concurrence therein.

The House adjourned until ten o'Clock To-morrow Morning.

Thursday, November 6, 1788.

The House met—Present as before.

Mr. Holmes reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House of Yesterday.

Jeremiah Eldredge, Esquire, produced a Certificate of his being duly elected a Member of Council for the County of Cape-May, which was read and approved; and he thereupon took and subscribed the Oaths required by Law before the Honourable John Chetwood, Esquire, and took his Seat in Council.

Jeremiah Eldredge, Esquire, having given his Reasons for his Non-Attendance until this Day,

Resolved, That they are satisfactory.

The House adjourned to three o'Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

The House adjourned until ten o'Clock To-morrow Morning.

Friday, November 7, 1788.

The House met—Present as before.

The Secretary's Office having expired, whereby the publick Business is in some Measure impeded, Council would suggest to the House of Assembly the Propriety of going into a Joint-Meeting for the Appointment of that Officer To-morrow Morning ten o'Clock, at the College Library Room.

Ordered, That Mr. Martin do wait on the House of Assembly with the foregoing Message.

Mr. Martin reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. Benson, in the Words following:

Ordered,

THAT Mr. Benson do wait on the Council with a List of Nomination from this House, and inform them that this House will be ready to go into a Joint-Meeting at the Time and Place, and for the Purpose mentioned in their Message of this Morning.'

The House adjourned to three o'Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

Mr. Condit, from the House of Assembly, brought back to this House the Bill, intituled, 'An Act to repeal two certain Acts giving to the Secretary of this State an annual Salary,' with several Amendments made thereto, to which Amendments he requested the Concurrence of this House.

The House adjourned until ten o'Clock To-morrow Morning.

Saturday, November 8, 1788.

The House met—Present as before.

The Council having taken into Consideration the Amendments made by the House of Assembly to the Bill, intituled, 'An Act to repeal two certain Acts 'giving to the Secretary of this State an annual Salary;' on the Question, Whether the House agree to the said Amendments? It was carried in the Affirmative, as follows :

Yeas.	Yeas.	Nays.
Mr. Haring,	Mr. Smith,	Mr. Ellis,
Mr. Chetwood,	Mr. Mayhew,	Mr. Ogden,
Mr. Manning,	Mr. Eldredge,	Mr. Thompson.
Mr. Holmes,	Mr. Kitchel.	
Mr. Martin,		

Ordered, That Mr. Smith do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said Amendments are agreed to by this House, and ordered that the said Bill be re-engrossed with the said Amendments.

Mr. Smith reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The House withdrew to attend a Joint-Meeting; after some Time the House returned, and adjourned until Monday-Morning ten o'Clock.

Monday, November 10, 1788.

The House met.

P R E S E N T.

The VICE-PRESIDENT,

Mr. HARING,	Mr. MARTIN,
Mr. OGDEN,	Mr. MAYHEW,
Mr. KITCHEL,	Mr. ELLIS,
Mr. ELDRIDGE,	Mr. SMITH,
Mr. MANNING,	Mr. THOMPSON.

The House adjourned to three o'Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

Mr. Combs, from the House of Assembly, brought to this House the following Message and Resolution from the House of Assembly for Concurrence :

' **T**HE Speaker laid before the House a Bond given by James Mott, Esq. Treasurer of this State, with Sureties in the Sum of Twenty Thousand Pounds, for the faithful Discharge of his Office :

' *Resolved unanimously,* That the same is satisfactory to this House.'

' *Resolved,*

' **T**HAT the Auditor of Accounts be and he is hereby directed to issue Certificates to John Dennis and James Richmond, in the usual Form, for the Sum of Two Hundred and Sixteen Pounds Eleven Shillings and Three-pence, with Interest from the first of September 1784, agreeably to an Adjudication by them obtained against the confiscated Estate of Hugh Wallace, Esquire, if there is so much of said Estate remaining in the Treasury of this State.'

The House adjourned until ten o'Clock To-Morrow Morning.

Tuesday,

Tuesday, November 11, 1788.

The House met.

Present as before, and Mr. Chetwood.

The Council having taken into Consideration the Treasurer's Bond sent from the House of Assembly,

Resolved, That the House do unanimously approve thereof.

Ordered, That Mr. Ellis do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

The Council having taken into Consideration the Resolution from the House of Assembly relative to directing the Auditor to issue Certificates to John Dennis and James Richmond for the Sum of Two Hundred and Sixteen Pounds Eleven Shillings and Three-pence, &c.

Resolved, That the House agree thereto.

Ordered, That Mr. Ellis do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

Mr. Kitchel, from the Committee appointed to bring in a Bill for carrying into Operation the said Constitution, reported a Bill, intitled, 'An Act for carrying into Effect, on the Part of the State of New-Jersey, the Constitution of the United States, assented to, ratified and confirmed by this State, on the eighteenth Day of December, in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred and Eighty-seven,' which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The re-engrossed Bill, intitled, 'An Act to repeal two certain Acts giving to the Secretary of this State an annual Salary, and also so much of a certain Act therein mentioned as respects Fees to be taken by the said Secretary upon Commissions granted to Justices, Coroners and Militia Officers,' was read and compared;

Resolved, That the same do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Ellis do carry the said Bill to the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the same is passed by this House with their Amendments.

The House adjourned to three o'Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

Mr. Schureman, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for Concurrence, the following Bill: A Bill, intitled, 'An Act for vesting the Residue of the confiscated Personal Estate of John I. Zabriskie, of the County of Bergen, in certain Persons for the Use of the said John I. Zabriskie, on the Conditions therein mentioned,' which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The House adjourned until ten o'Clock To-morrow Morning.

Wednesday, November 12, 1788.

The House met—Present as before, and Mr. Holmes.

The House adjourned to three o'Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met, and adjourned until ten o'Clock To-morrow Morning.

Thursday,

Thursday, November 13, 1788.

The House met—Present as before.

The Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act for carrying into Effect, on the Part of the State of New-Jersey, the Constitution of the United States, assented to, ratified and confirmed by this State, on the eighteenth Day of December, in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred and Eighty-seven,’ was read a second Time, debated, and ordered to be engrossed.

The House adjourned to three o’Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

Mr. Freeman, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for Concurrence, the following Bills and Warrant: A Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act for the Relief of poor and insolvent Debtors, now confined in the different Gaols of this State:’ A Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to exempt the Seventh-Day Baptist Society from certain Penalties, and from certain Services, on the Seventh Day of the Week;’ which several Bills were read, and ordered a second Reading: A Warrant entitling Mary Mead to draw the Amount of her late Husband’s Half-pay.

Mr. Freeman also brought the following Message:

Ordered,

THAT Messrs. Bunn, Condit, Outwater, Taylor and Hankinson, or any three of them, be a Committee for the present Session to join a Committee of the Council on such publick Accounts as may be referred to them during the Sitting of the Legislature; that the said Committee settle and report all Accounts for the Payment of which, when settled, Provision is already made by Law; and that they deliver all other to such Committee of this House as may be appointed to bring in a Bill for defraying Incidental Charges.

Ordered, That Mr. Freeman do wait on Council, and desire them to appoint a Committee to join the Committee of this House for the above Purpose.

Ordered, That Mr. Martin and Mr. Eldredge, or either of them, be a Committee to join the Committee of the House of Assembly for the Purpose mentioned in the foregoing Message; and that Mr. Mayhew do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

The Council having taken into Consideration the Warrant entitling Mary Mead to draw the Amount of her late Husband’s Half-pay,

Resolved, That the House agree thereto.

Ordered, That the Vice-President do sign the said Warrant, and that Mr. Mayhew do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said Warrant is agreed to by this House.

Mr. Mayhew reported, that he had obeyed the Orders of the House of this Day.

The House adjourned until ten o’Clock To-morrow Morning.

Friday, November 14, 1788.

The House met—Present as before.

The engrossed Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act for carrying into Effect, on the Part of the State of New-Jersey, the Constitution of the United States, assented to, ratified

‘ratified and confirmed by this State, on the eighteenth Day of December 1787,’ was read and compared; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It was carried in the Affirmative, as follows:

Yeas.	Yeas.	Nays.
Mr. Chetwood,	Mr. Eldredge,	Mr. Haring,
Mr. Manning,	Mr. Kitchel,	Mr. Holmes,
Mr. Smith,	Mr. Ogden,	Mr. Martin,
Mr. Ellis,	Mr. Thompson.	Mr. Mayhew.

Ordered, That the Vice-President do sign the said Bill.

Ordered, That Mr. Eldredge do carry the said Bill to the House of Assembly, and request their Concurrence therein.

Mr. Eldredge reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The Bill, intituled, ‘An Act for vesting the Residue of the confiscated Personal Estate of John I. Zabriskie, of the County of Bergen, in certain Persons, for the Use of the said John I. Zabriskie, on the Conditions therein mentioned,’ was read a second Time, and ordered a third Reading.

The House adjourned to three o’Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

The Bill, intituled, ‘An Act for vesting the Residue of the confiscated Personal Estate of John I. Zabriskie, of the County of Bergen, in certain Persons, for the Use of the said John I. Zabriskie, on the Conditions therein mentioned,’ was read a third Time; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It was carried in the Affirmative, Nem. Con.

Ordered, That the Vice-President do sign the same.

Ordered, That Mr. Kitchel do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said Bill is passed by this House without Amendment.

Mr. Kitchel reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The Bill, intituled, ‘An Act for the Relief of poor and insolvent Debtors, now confined in the different Gaols of this State,’ was read a second Time; on the Question, Whether the said Bill be read a third Time? It was carried in the Negative, as follows:

Yeas.	Nays.	Nays.
Mr. Manning,	Mr. Haring,	Mr. Eldredge,
Mr. Holmes,	Mr. Chetwood,	Mr. Kitchel,
Mr. Martin,	Mr. Ellis,	Mr. Ogden,
Mr. Smith.	Mr. Mayhew,	Mr. Thompson.

Ordered, That Mr. Ogden do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said Bill is rejected by this House.

The House adjourned until ten o’Clock To-morrow Morning.

Saturday, November 15, 1788.

The House met—Present as before.

Mr. Ogden reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House of Yesterday.

The Bill, intituled, ‘An Act to exempt the Seventh-Day Baptist Society from certain Penalties, and from certain Services, on the Seventh Day of the Week,’ was read a second Time, and committed to Mr. Chetwood and Mr. Kitchel.

The House adjourned until ten o’Clock Monday Morning.

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Monday,

Monday, November 17, 1788.

The House met.

P R E S E N T,

The VICE-PRESIDENT,

Mr. HARING,	Mr. CHETWOOD,
Mr. MARTIN,	Mr. MAYHEW,
Mr. KITCHEL,	Mr. ELDRIDGE,
Mr. HOLMES,	Mr. ELLIS,
Mr. OGDEN,	Mr. THOMPSON.
Mr. MANNING,	

The House adjourned to three o'Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

The House adjourned until ten o'Clock To-morrow Morning.

Tuesday, November 18, 1788.

The House met—Present as before.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. Stillwell, in the Words following:

Ordered,

THAT Messrs. Schureman, Sheppard, Cook, Sinnickson and Biddle, or any three of them, be a Committee to join a Committee of Council to settle the Accounts between the State and John Stevens, late Treasurer; and that Mr. Stillwell do wait on the Council, and request them to appoint a Committee to join the Committee of this House for that Purpose.'

Ordered, That Mr. Ogden and Mr. Holmes, or either of them, be a Committee to join the Committee of the House of Assembly for the Purpose mentioned in the foregoing Message; and that Mr. Thompson do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

Mr. Thompson reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

Mr. Kitchel, from the Committee to whom was committed the Bill, intituled, 'An Act to exempt the Seventh-Day Baptist Society from certain Penalties, and from certain Services, on the Seventh Day of the Week,' reported sundry Amendments, which were approved of by the House.

Mr. Holmes, seconded by Mr. Martin, then moved the following Amendments to the said Bill:

Be it Enacted by the Council and General Assembly of this State, and it is hereby Enacted by the Authority of the same, That it shall and may be lawful for such Persons as profess and keep the Seventh Day of the Week as a Sabbath, and manifest a religious Regard for the same, by habitually attending publick Worship on that Day, to pursue and perform all secular and laborious Employments within the Limits of their several Plantations, Houses, Shops or Outhouses, on the First Day of the Week, commonly called Sunday. *Provided always,* That Nothing herein contained shall be construed to authorize any Person whatever to travel on the Highways, and in the Streets of this State, with Carriages of Burden, or to labour in any Profession which may disturb the religious Exercise of any Denomination of Christians, or to authorize them to compel any Person

Person of other Persuasions under their Command to labour or otherwise break the First Day Sabbath.

On the Question, Whether the House agree thereto? It was carried in the Negative, as follows :

Yeas.	Nays.	Nays.
Mr. Holmes,	Mr. Haring,	Mr. Eldredge,
Mr. Martin,	Mr. Chetwood,	Mr. Kitchel,
Mr. Ellis,	Mr. Manning,	Mr. Thompson.
Mr. Mayhew,		
Mr. Ogden.		

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third Time with the Amendments agreed to.

The House adjourned to three o'Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

The Bill, intituled, ' An Act to exempt the Seventh-Day Baptist Society from certain Penalties, and from certain Services, on the Seventh Day of the Week,' was read a third Time with the Amendments; on the Question, Whether the said Bill as amended do pass? It passed in the Affirmative, Nem. Con.

Ordered, That the Vice-President do sign the said Bill and Amendments.

Ordered, That Mr. Haring do carry the said Bill and Amendments to the House of Assembly, and request their Concurrence in the said Amendments.

Mr. Little, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for Concurrence, the six following Bills: A Bill, intituled, ' An Act to naturalize Joseph Lewis, usually called Chevalier D'Anterroches: ' A Bill, intituled, ' A Supplement to an Act, intituled, An Act to incorporate the Justices and chosen Freeholders in the several Counties of this State, for the Purpose of taking Titles for Lots of Land on which Courthouses, Gaols and other publick Buildings, belonging to the said respective Counties, are now or hereafter may be erected: ' A Bill, intituled, ' A Supplement to an Act, intituled, An Act to erect and establish Courts in the several Counties in this Colony, for the Trial of small Causes, and to repeal the former Act for that Purpose, passed the eleventh Day of February, in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred and Seventy-five; and to an Act, intituled, An Act to revive and continue said Act, intituled, An Act to erect and establish Courts in the several Counties in this Colony for the Trial of small Causes; and also to an Act, intituled, An Act to extend the Power of Justices of the Peace, in the several Counties of this State, to try Causes to the Amount of Twelve Pounds, and to prevent Actions under Fifty Pounds being brought in the Supreme Court, and for other Purposes therein mentioned, passed the 5th Day of June 1782: ' A Bill, intituled, ' An Act to repeal Part of the first Section of the Act, intituled, ' An Act for the Security of the Government of New-Jersey: ' A Bill, intituled, ' A Supplement to an Act, intituled, An Act to prevent the Importation of Slaves into the State of New-Jersey, and to authorize the Manumission of them under certain Restrictions, and to prevent the Abuse of Slaves: ' A Bill, intituled, ' An Act to repeal as well certain Parts of the Act, intituled, An Act for raising a Revenue from certain Stages, Ferries and Taverns, and also the Supplement thereto.'

Which several Bills were read, and ordered a second Reading.

Mr. Haring reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House of this Day.

The House adjourned until ten o'Clock To-morrow Morning.

Wednesday,

Wednesday, November 19, 1788.

The House met—Present as before.

Mr. Rogers, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for Concurrence, the following Resolution:

Resolved,

THAT the Treasurer of this State be and he hereby is directed to pay to Charles Gilman, or his Order, the Sum of Sixteen Pounds Seventeen Shillings and Ten-pence, being the Amount paid forward to the Treasury on Account of a Prize captured by Charles Gilman and others from one Stanford and others, and condemned by three of the Justices of the Peace in and for the County of Middlesex to the Use of the State and said Captors, which Judgment has since been removed by said Stanford and others into and reserved by the Supreme Court.

Mr. Manning, from the Committee appointed to join a Committee of the House of Assembly to settle the Treasurer's Accounts, reported, that the said Committee had met, and stated the Accounts of the Treasurer, which he was ready to report when the House would be pleased to receive the same.

Ordered, That the said Report be made immediately: Whereupon, Mr. Manning exhibited the Accounts of the Treasurer as settled by the said Committee.

The Bill, intituled, 'An Act to repeal Part of the first Section of the Act, intituled, An Act for the Security of the Government of New-Jersey,' was read a second Time, and ordered a third Reading.

The Bill, intituled, 'An Act to naturalize Joseph Lewis, usually called Chevalier D'Anterroches,' was read a second Time, and ordered a third Reading.

The Council having taken into Consideration the Resolution from the House of Assembly relative to directing the Treasurer to pay Charles Gilman Sixteen Pounds Seventeen Shillings and Ten-pence, &c.

Resolved, That the House agree thereto.

Ordered, That Mr. Chetwood do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

The House adjourned to three o'Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

A Petition from James Parker and Robert Ogden, Esquires, setting forth that they are Creditors of the late William Earl of Stirling, and are deprived of recovering their just Demands by a Law of this State now in Force, vesting the Estate of the said William Earl of Stirling in Trustees, and praying a Repeal of the said Law, was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The Council having taken into Consideration the Accounts of the Treasurer, as stated and settled by the Committee, with their Report,

Resolved, That the House do approve thereof.

The Bill, intituled, 'An Act to naturalize Joseph Lewis, usually called Chevalier D'Anterroches,' was read a third Time; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It was carried in the Affirmative, Nem. Con.

Ordered, That the Vice-President do sign the same.

The Bill, intituled, 'An Act to repeal Part of the first Section of the Act, intituled, An Act for the Security of the Government of New-Jersey,' was read a third Time; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It was carried in the Affirmative, Nem. Con.

Ordered,

Ordered, That the Vice-President do sign the same.

Ordered, That Mr. Chetwood do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the two foregoing Bills are passed by this House without Amendment.

Mr. Chetwood reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House of this Day.

The Bill, intituled, 'A Supplement to an Act, intituled, An Act to prevent the Importation of Slaves into the State of New-Jersey, and to authorize the Manumission of them under certain Restrictions, and to prevent the Abuse of Slaves,' was read a second Time, and the further Consideration thereof postponed.

The Bill, intituled, 'A Supplemental Act to an Act, intituled, An Act to erect and establish Courts in the several Counties in this Colony, for the Trial of small Causes, and to repeal the former Act for that Purpose, passed the 11th February 1775; and to an Act, intituled, An Act to revive and continue the Act, intituled, An Act to erect and establish Courts in the several Counties in this Colony, for the Trial of small Causes; and also to an Act, intituled, An Act to extend the Power of Justices of the Peace in the several Counties in this State to try Causes to the Amount of Twelve Pounds, and to prevent Actions under Fifty Pounds being brought in the Supreme Court, and for other Purposes therein mentioned, passed the fifth Day of June 1782;' was read a second Time, and ordered a third Reading.

The House adjourned until ten o'Clock To-morrow Morning.

Thursday, November 20, 1788.

The House met—Present as before, and Mr. Smith.

The Bill, intituled, 'A Supplemental Act to an Act, intituled, An Act to erect and establish Courts in the several Counties in this Colony, for the Trial of small Causes, and to repeal the former Act for that Purpose, passed the eleventh of February 1775; and to an Act, intituled, An Act to revive and continue the Act, intituled, An Act to erect and establish Courts in the several Counties in this Colony, for the Trial of small Causes; and also to an Act, intituled, An Act to extend the Power of Justices of the Peace in the several Counties in this State to try Causes of Twelve Pounds, and to prevent Actions under Fifty Pounds being brought in the Supreme Court, and for other Purposes therein mentioned, passed the fifth Day of June 1782; was read a third Time; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It was carried in the Negative, as follows:

Yeas.	Nays.	Nays.
Mr. Haring,	Mr. Chetwood,	Mr. Mayhew,
Mr. Holmes,	Mr. Manning,	Mr. Eldredge,
Mr. Martin,	Mr. Smith,	Mr. Ogden.
Mr. Kitchel.	Mr. Ellis,	Mr. Thompson.

Ordered, That Mr. Manning do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said Bill is rejected by this House.

Mr. Bunn, from the House of Assembly, brought back to this House the Bill, intituled, 'An Act for carrying into Effect, on the Part of the State of New-Jersey, the Constitution of the United States,' &c. with fundry Amendments made thereto by the House of Assembly, to which Amendments he requested the Concurrence of this House.

Mr. Bunn also brought to this House, for Concurrence, a Bill, intituled, 'An Act more effectually to secure the faithful Execution of the Office of Sheriff,' which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

Mr. Bunn also brought back to this House the Bill, intituled, 'An Act to exempt the Seventh-Day Baptist Society from certain Services on the Seventh Day of the Week,' with the Amendments made thereto, and acquainted this House that the House of Assembly adhered to their Bill.

The Council having taken the foregoing Bill and Amendments into Consideration; on the Question, Whether the House will recede from their said Amendments? It was carried in the Negative, as follows:

Yeas.	Nays.
Mr. Holmes,	Mr. Haring,
Mr. Martin,	Mr. Chetwood,
Mr. Smith,	Mr. Manning,
Mr. Ellis,	Mr. Eldredge,
Mr. Mayhew,	Mr. Kitchel,
Mr. Ogden.	Mr. Thompson.

The Votes being equal, the Vice-President gave his Vote in the Negative.

Ordered, That Mr. Manning do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the House adhere to their Amendments made to the said Bill.

The Bill, intituled, 'An Act to repeal as well certain Parts of the Act, intituled, An Act for raising a Revenue from certain Stages, Ferries and Taverns, and also the Supplement thereto,' was read a second Time, and ordered a third Reading.

Mr. Manning reported, that he had obeyed the Orders of the House of this Day.

The House adjourned to three o'Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

The House took into Consideration the Bill, intituled, 'An Act for carrying into Effect, on the Part of the State of New-Jersey, the Constitution of the United States,' &c. with the Amendments made thereto by the House of Assembly,

Resolved, That the House agree to the said Amendments.

Ordered, That the said Bill be re-engrossed with the said Amendments.

The Bill, intituled, 'An Act to repeal as well certain Parts of the Act, intituled, 'An Act for raising a Revenue from certain Stages, Ferries and Taverns, and also the Supplement thereto,' was read a third Time; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It was carried in the Affirmative, as follows:

Yeas.	Yeas.	Nays.
Mr. Haring,	Mr. Ellis,	Mr. Martin,
Mr. Chetwood,	Mr. Mayhew,	Mr. Kitchel,
Mr. Manning,	Mr. Eldredge,	Mr. Thompson.
Mr. Holmes,	Mr. Ogden.	
Mr. Smith,		

Ordered, That the Vice-President do sign the said Bill.

Ordered, That Mr. Holmes do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said Bill is passed by this House without Amendment.

Mr. Holmes reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The House adjourned until ten o'Clock To-morrow Morning.

Friday,

Friday, November 21, 1788.

The House met—Present as before.

The re-engrossed Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act for carrying into Effect, on the Part of the State of New-Jersey, the Constitution of the United States,’ &c. was read and compared,

Resolved, That the same do pass.

Ordered, That the Vice-President do sign the same.

Ordered, That Mr. Martin do carry the said re-engrossed Bill to the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the same is passed by this House with their Amendments.

Mr. Martin reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The House resumed the Consideration of the Bill, intituled, ‘ A Supplement to an Act, intituled, An Act to prevent the Importation of Slaves into the State of New-Jersey, and to authorize the Manumission of them under certain Restrictions, and to prevent the Abuse of Slaves,’ and several Amendments were made thereto.

Ordered, That the said Bill as amended be read a third Time.

Mr. Blair, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for Concurrence, a Bill, intituled, ‘ An additional Supplement to the Act, intituled, An Act for striking and making current One Hundred Thousand Pounds in Bills of Credit, to be let out on Loan, and directing the Mode for sinking the same, and for other Purposes therein mentioned, and to repeal a certain Act therein mentioned,’ which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

Mr. Ogden, from the Committee appointed to join the Committee of the House of Assembly to settle the Accounts of John Stevens, jun. late Treasurer, begged Leave to report :

Ordered, That the said Report be made immediately : Whereupon Mr. Ogden read the said Report in his Place, and delivered it in at the Table, which Report is in the Words following :

THE Committee of both Houses appointed to settle the Accounts of John Stevens, jun. late Treasurer, have examined the same as far as they can at present be ascertained, with the several Vouchers accompanying them, and find a Balance due to the State from the said John Stevens of One Hundred and Thirty-six Pounds.

Your Committee further report, that they find in the Accounts exhibited by the said John Stevens the Sum of Thirty-three Pounds Fourteen Shillings and Ten-pence charged against the State, being a Credit allowed the County of Middlesex in the Statement of said Stevens’s Account the fifth Day of December 1783 more than was paid into the Treasury by Peter Vredenburg, Collector of the said County, which appears by a Certificate from the said Collector ; whereupon your Committee suggest the following Resolution :

Resolved, That the said Sum of Thirty-three Pounds Fourteen Shillings and Ten-pence be charged by the Treasurer as Deficiencies of Taxes against said County of Middlesex.

SAMUEL OGDEN,
JAMES SCHUREMAN.

Resolved, That the House approve of the said Report.

The House adjourned to three o’Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

The Bill, intituled, 'A Supplement to an Act, intituled, An Act to prevent the Importation of Slaves into the State of New-Jersey,' &c. was read a third Time with the Amendments; on the Question, Whether the said Bill as amended do pass? It was carried in the Affirmative, as follows:

Yeas.	Yeas.	Nays.
Mr. Chetwood,	Mr. Mayhew,	Mr. Haring,
Mr. Manning,	Mr. Eldredge,	Mr. Martin.
Mr. Holmes,	Mr. Kitchel,	
Mr. Smith,	Mr. Ogden,	
Mr. Ellis,	Mr. Thompson.	

Ordered, That the Vice-President do sign the said Bill.

Ordered, That Mr. Smith do carry the said Bill and Amendments to the House of Assembly, and request their Concurrence in the said Amendments.

Mr. Smith reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

Mr. Hardenbergh, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for Concurrence, the following Resolution:

Resolved,

THAT Isaac Collins, Printer, be directed to strike off two hundred Copies of the Act, intituled, 'An Act for carrying into Effect, on the Part of the State of New-Jersey, the Constitution of the United States, assented to, ratified and confirmed by this State, on the eighteenth Day of December 1787,' to be distributed in the different Counties of this State.'

The Council having taken the foregoing Resolution into Consideration,

Resolved, That the House agree thereto.

Ordered, That Mr. Ellis do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

Mr. Biddle, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for Concurrence, a Bill, intituled, 'An Act to enable the Owners and Possessors of a Tract of Meadow and Marsh, on the northeast Side of Oldman's Creek, in the Township of Woolwich, in the County of Gloucester, to uphold and maintain a certain Bank, to prevent the Tide from overflowing the said Meadows and Marsh, and for other Purposes therein mentioned,' which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

Mr. Ellis reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The House adjourned until ten o'Clock To-morrow Morning.

Saturday, November 22, 1788.

The House met—Present as before.

Ordered, That Mr. Mayhew do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that Council propose going into a Joint-Meeting on Tuesday next three o'Clock in the Afternoon, at the College Library Room, for the Purpose of electing Senators and other Officers, if agreeable to them.

Mr. Jones, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for Concurrence, a Bill, intituled, 'An Act to make void a certain Road or Highway, in the County of Bergen, herein after mentioned;' which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

Mr. Mayhew reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

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The Bill, intitled, 'An Act to enable the Owners and Possessors of a Tract of Meadow and Marsh, on the northeast Side of Oldman's Creek, in the Township of Woolwich, in the County of Gloucester, to uphold and maintain a certain Bank,' &c. was read a second Time, and ordered a third Reading.

The Bill, intitled, 'A Supplement to an Act, intitled, An Act to incorporate the Justices and chosen Freeholders in the several Counties of this State, for the Purpose of taking Titles for Lots of Land on which Courthouses, Gaols, and other publick Buildings, belonging to the said respective Counties, are now or hereafter may be erected,' was read a second Time; on the Question, Whether the said Bill be read a third Time? It was carried in the Negative, Nem. Con.

Ordered, That Mr. Eldredge do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said Bill is rejected by this House.

Mr. Newbold, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for Concurrence, a Bill, intitled, 'An Act to amend an Act, intitled, An Act for regulating and shortening the Proceedings in the Courts of Law,' which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

A Petition from Nathan Jackson, an insolvent Debtor in Monmouth Gaol, setting forth his distressed Situation, and praying Relief, was read, and referred to the next Sitting.

Mr. Newbold also brought to this House, for Concurrence, the following Resolution:

Resolved, That the Treasurer be and he hereby is authorized and directed to issue a Certificate to Archibald Mercer, Assignee of Paul Schenck, for the Sum of Seven Hundred and Eighty-four Pounds Nineteen Shillings and Five-pence, to draw Interest from September the first 1784, being the Amount of a Debt adjudged to be due from the confiscated Estate of Joseph Allen to the said Paul Schenck, if so much of said Estate remains in the Treasury, but if not then as much of said Estate as is remaining; which said Certificate shall be issued agreeably to the Act for ascertaining the Value of Debts due from the forfeited Estates of certain Fugitives and Offenders, and for directing the Payment of the same, passed December the 23d, 1783: And that the Resolution of the Legislature of the 8th of September last, authorizing the Treasurer to issue a Certificate to the said Archibald Mercer, for the Sum of Eight Hundred and Thirty-seven Pounds Six Shillings be hereby rescinded.

The Bill, intitled, 'An additional Supplement to the Act, intitled, An Act for striking and making current One Hundred Thousand Pounds in Bills of Credit, to be let out on Loan, and directing the Mode for sinking the same,' &c. was read a second Time; whereupon Mr. Kitchel, seconded by Mr. Martin, moved that the third Section of the said Bill be struck out; on the Question, it was carried in the Negative, as follows:

Yeas.	Nays.	Nays.
Mr. Haring,	Mr. Chetwood,	Mr. Mayhew,
Mr. Holmes,	Mr. Manning,	Mr. Eldredge,
Mr. Martin,	Mr. Smith,	Mr. Ogden,
Mr. Kitchel.	Mr. Ellis,	Mr. Thompson.

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third Time.

Mr. Kitchel, with Leave of the House, brought in a Bill, intitled, 'An Act for raising the Penalties on delinquent chosen Freeholders, and to lay a Penalty on Justices for neglecting to attend the Board of Justices and chosen Freeholders; and to repeal an Act passed June 8, 1781, for that Purpose;' which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The House adjourned to three o'Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

The House adjourned until ten o'Clock Monday Morning.

Monday, November 24, 1788.

The House met.

P R E S E N T,
The VICE-PRESIDENT,

Mr. MAYHEW,	Mr. HOLMES,
Mr. MARTIN,	Mr. KITCHEL,
Mr. HARING,	Mr. ELLIS,
Mr. ELDREDGE,	Mr. THOMPSON,
Mr. CHETWOOD,	Mr. OGDEN,
Mr. SMITH,	Mr. MANNING.

Mr. Eldredge reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House of Saturday.

Mr. Clark, from the House of Assembly, acquainted this House that they would be ready to go into a Joint-Meeting for the Purpose mentioned in the Message from this House on Saturday last, at the Time and Place therein mentioned.

The Bill, intituled, ' An Act more effectually to secure the faithful Execution of the Office of Sheriff,' was read a second Time, and several Amendments made thereto.

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third Time with the Amendments.

The Bill, intituled, ' An Act to enable the Owners and Possessors of a Tract of Meadow and Marsh, on the northeast Side of Oldman's Creek, in the Township of Woolwich, in the County of Gloucester, to uphold and maintain a certain Bank,' &c. was read a third Time; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It was carried in the Affirmative, Nem. Con.

Ordered, That the Vice-President do sign the said Bill.

The Bill, intituled, ' An additional Supplement to the Act, intituled, An Act for striking and making current One Hundred Thousand Pounds in Bills of Credit, to be let out on Loan, and directing the Mode for sinking the same, and for other Purposes therein mentioned, and to repeal a certain Act therein mentioned,' was read a third Time; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It was carried in the Affirmative, as follows:

Yeas.	Yeas.	Nays.
Mr. Chetwood,	Mr. Mayhew,	Mr. Haring,
Mr. Manning,	Mr. Eldredge,	Mr. Holmes,
Mr. Smith,	Mr. Ogden,	Mr. Martin,
Mr. Ellis,	Mr. Thompson.	Mr. Kitchel.

Ordered, That the Vice-President do sign the said Bill.

Ordered, That Mr. Kitchel do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the two foregoing Bills are passed by this House without Amendment.

Mr. Kitchel reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The House adjourned to three o'Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

The Bill, intituled, ' An Act more effectually to secure the faithful Execution of the Office of Sheriff,' was read a third Time with the Amendments; on the

the Question, Whether the said Bill as amended do pass? It was carried in the Affirmative, as follows:

Yeas.	Yeas.	Nays.
Mr. Haring,	Mr. Mayhew,	Mr. Holmes,
Mr. Chetwood,	Mr. Eldredge,	Mr. Martin,
Mr. Manning,	Mr. Ogden,	Mr. Kitchel.
Mr. Smith,	Mr. Thompson.	
Mr. Ellis,		

Ordered, That the Vice-President do sign the said Bill and Amendments.

Ordered, That Mr. Ogden do carry the said Bill and Amendments to the House of Assembly, and request their Concurrence in the said Amendments.

Mr. Ogden reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

Mr. Eldredge, pursuant to Leave of the House on the 24th of November 1786, presented a Bill, intituled, 'An Act to lay out a publick Road from a publick Road at or near the House of Levi Smith, in the County of Cape-May, to the Gristmill of Jonas Hoffman, in the County of Cumberland, and for other Purposes therein mentioned,' which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The House adjourned until ten o'Clock To-morrow Morning.

Tuesday, November 25, 1788.

The House met—Present as before.

The Bill, intituled, 'An Act for raising the Penalties on delinquent chosen Freeholders, to lay a Penalty on Justices for neglecting to attend the Board of Justices and chosen Freeholders, and to repeal an Act passed June 8, 1781, for that Purpose,' was read a second Time, and ordered to be engrossed.

The Bill, intituled, 'An Act to make void a certain Road or Highway, in the County of Bergen, herein after mentioned,' was read a second Time, and thereupon,

Ordered, That the same be referred to next Sitting; and that the Petitioners in the mean Time advertise the Purport of the said Bill at least three Weeks in five of the most publick Places in the said County.

Ordered, That Mr. Haring do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that this House agree to the Resolution relative to directing the Treasurer to issue a Certificate to Archibald Mercer, Assignee of Paul Schenck, for the Sum of Seven Hundred and Eighty-four Pounds Nineteen Shillings and Five-pence, &c.

Mr. Haring reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The Bill, intituled, 'An Act to lay out a publick Road from a publick Road at or near the House of Levi Smith, in the County of Cape-May, to the Gristmill of Jonas Hoffman, in the County of Cumberland, and for other Purposes therein mentioned,' was read a second Time, and ordered to be engrossed.

The Council adjourned to three o'Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met, and withdrew to attend a Joint-Meeting; after some Time the House returned, and adjourned until ten o'Clock To-morrow Morning.

Wednesday,

Wednesday, November 26, 1788.

The House met—Present as before.

Mr. Davenport, from the House of Assembly, brought to this House, for Concurrence, a Bill, intituled, ‘An Act to enable a Number of the Inhabitants of the County of Cape-May, to build and complete a Bridge by Subscription over Cedar-Swamp Creek, with convenient Causeways thereunto annexed,’ which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

Mr. Davenport also brought to this House the re-engrossed Bill, intituled, ‘An Act to prevent the Importation of Slaves into the State of New-Jersey, and to authorize the Manumission of them under certain Restrictions, and to prevent the Abuse of Slaves,’ and acquainted this House that the same was passed by the House of Assembly with the Amendments made thereto by this House; which re-engrossed Bill having been read and compared,

Resolved, That the same do pass.

Ordered, That the Vice-President do sign the said re-engrossed Bill.

The engrossed Bill, intituled, ‘An Act to lay out a publick Road from a publick Road at or near the House of Levi Smith, in the County of Cape-May, to the Gristmill of Jonas Hoffman, in the County of Cumberland, and for other Purposes therein mentioned,’ was read and compared; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It was carried in the Affirmative, *Nem. Con.*

Ordered, That the Vice-President do sign the same.

The engrossed Bill, intituled, ‘An Act for raising the Penalties on delinquent chosen Freeholders, and to lay a Penalty on Justices for neglecting to attend the Board of Justices and chosen Freeholders, and to repeal an Act passed June 8, 1781, for that Purpose,’ was read and compared; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It was carried in the Affirmative, *Nem. Con.*

Ordered, That the Vice-President do sign the same.

Ordered, That Mr. Thompson do carry the two foregoing Bills to the House of Assembly, and request their Concurrence therein.

Mr. Thompson reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The Bill, intituled, ‘An Act to amend an Act, intituled, An Act for regulating and shortening the Proceedings in the Courts of Law,’ was read a second Time, and ordered a third Reading.

The House adjourned to three o’Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

The Bill, intituled, ‘An Act to enable a Number of the Inhabitants in the County of Cape-May, to build and complete a Bridge by Subscription over Cedar-Swamp Creek, with convenient Causeways thereunto annexed,’ was read a second Time, and ordered a third Reading.

The Bill, intituled, ‘An Act to amend an Act, intituled, An Act for regulating and shortening the Proceedings in the Courts of Law,’ was read a third Time; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It passed in the Affirmative, *Nem. Con.*

Ordered, That the Vice-President do sign the said Bill.

Ordered, That Mr. Chetwood do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said Bill is passed by this House.

Mr. Cooper, from the House of Assembly, brought back to this House the Bill, intituled, ‘An Act more effectually to secure the faithful Execution of the
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‘ Office of Sheriff,’ and acquainted this House that the House of Assembly had agreed to the fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh, eighth and ninth Amendments made by this House to the said Bill, and in other Respects adhere to their Bill.

The House adjourned until ten o’Clock To-morrow Morning.

Thursday, November 27, 1788.

The House met—Present as before.

Mr. Chetwood reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House of Yesterday.

Mr. Sinnickson, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for Concurrence, Warrants entitling Abigail Carman, Mary Chamberlain, Elizabeth Kinsly and Ammia Wade, to draw the Amount of their late Husbands’ Half-pay.

The Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to enable a Number of the Inhabitants in the County of Cape-May, to build and complete a Bridge by Subscription over Cedar-Swamp Creek, with convenient Causeways thereunto annexed,’ was read a third Time; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It was carried in the Affirmative, Nem. Con.

Ordered, That the Vice-President do sign the same.

Ordered, That Mr. Manning do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said Bill is passed by this House without Amendment.

Ordered, That Mr. Manning do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that this House agree to the Warrants entitling Ammia Wade and Elizabeth Kinsly to draw the Amount of their late Husbands’ Half-pay, and disagree to the Warrants entitling Abigail Carman and Mary Chamberlain to draw the Amount of their late Husbands’ Half-pay.

Mr. Manning reported, that he had obeyed the Orders of the House.

The House adjourned to three o’Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

Mr. Hall, from the House of Assembly, brought to this House, for Concurrence, a Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to raise the Sum of Ten Thousand Pounds, for the Support of the Government of the State of New-Jersey, to defray the contingent Expences thereof, and to provide for the Payment of the several Officers of Government for one Year, to commence the twelfth Day of October 1788, and to end the twelfth Day of October 1789,’ which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The foregoing Bill was read a second Time, and ordered a third Reading.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. Holmes, in the Words following :

Ordered,

THAT Messrs. Schureman, Sinnickson, Kitchel, R. Townsend and Biddle, or any three of them, be a Committee to join a Committee of the Council for the Purpose of counting and burning the Money referred to in the Treasurer’s Letter; and that Mr. Holme do wait on the Council, and request them to appoint a Committee to join the Committee of this House for that Purpose.’

Ordered, That Mr. Smith and Mr. Martin, or either of them, be a Committee to join the Committee of the House of Assembly for the Purpose

mentioned in the foregoing Message; and that Mr. Holmes do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

Mr. Holmes reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The Council having taken into Consideration the Amendments made to the Bill, intituled, 'An Act more effectually to secure the faithful Execution of the Office of Sheriff,'

Resolved, That the House recede from their Amendments made to the said Bill which are disagreed to by the House of Assembly.

Ordered, That Mr. Martin do carry the said Bill and Amendments to the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

Mr. E. Townsend, from the House of Assembly, brought to this House, for Concurrence, the following Resolution:

'*Resolved*, That the Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized to issue a Certificate unto Thomas Gummerfall for Four Hundred and Ninety-seven Pounds Five Shillings and Four-pence, with Interest from the 8th Day of July 1777, being the Amount of one Moiety remaining in the Hands of the Treasurer, paid forward by the Commissioners of forfeited Estates of the County of Morris, arising from the Sales of the Estate of William Demayen, late a Fugitive with the Enemy, which Estate appears to have been held by William Demayen, Thomas Gummerfall in Company.'

Mr. R. Townsend, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for Concurrence, the two following Bills: A Bill, intituled, 'An Act to enable the Owners of Tide-Swamp and Marshes to improve the same, and the Owners of Meadows already banked in, and held by different Persons, to keep the same in good Repair:' A Bill, intituled, 'An Act to amend an Act, intituled, An Act for the Improvement of the South Branch of Ancocus Creek:' Which two several Bills were read, and ordered a second Reading.

Mr. Martin reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The House adjourned until nine o'Clock To-morrow Morning.

Friday, November 28, 1788.

The House met—Present as before.

The Bill, intituled, 'An Act to raise the Sum of Ten Thousand Pounds for the Support of the Government of the State of New-Jersey, to defray the contingent Expences thereof, and to provide for the Payment of the several Officers of Government for one Year, to commence the twelfth Day of October 1788, and to end the twelfth Day of October 1789,' was read a third Time; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It was carried in the Affirmative, Nem. Con.

Ordered, That the Vice-President do sign the same.

Ordered, That Mr. Smith do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said Bill is passed by this House.

Ordered, That Mr. Smith do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that this House agree to the Resolution relative to authorizing the Treasurer to issue a Certificate to Thomas Gummerfall for Four Hundred and Ninety-seven Pounds Five Shillings and Four-pence, &c.

The Bill, intituled, 'An Act to enable the Owners of Tide-Swamp and Marshes to improve the same, and the Owners of Meadows already banked in, and held
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‘ by different Persons, to keep the same in good Repair,’ was read a second Time, and ordered a third Reading.

The Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to amend an Act, intituled, An Act for the Improvement of the South Branch of Ancocus Creek,’ was read a second Time, and ordered a third Reading.

Mr. Smith reported, that he had obeyed the Orders of the House.

His Excellency the Governor came into Council.

Mr. Smith, from the Committee appointed to join a Committee of the House of Assembly for the Purpose of counting and burning the Money referred to in the Treasurer’s Letter, begged Leave to report,

That the Committee had received from the Treasurer, examined and burned, One Thousand and Five Pounds of the Revenue Bills of Credit which had been counted and cancelled by Samuel Tucker and James Ewing according to Law.

Mr. Lambert, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for Concurrence, a Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to enable the Owners and Possessors of the Meadows lying in the Elizabeth-Town Great Meadow, adjoining and contiguous to a Ditch commonly called the Great Ditch, to clear out, open and enlarge the same, and to make and maintain Sluices and Dams to keep out the Tide,’ which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The House adjourned to three o’Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

The Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to amend an Act, intituled, An Act for the Improvement of the South Branch of Ancocus Creek,’ was read a third Time; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It was carried in the Affirmative, Nem. Con.

Ordered, That the Vice-President do sign the same.

Ordered, That Mr. Ellis do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said Bill is passed by this House without Amendment.

The Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to enable the Owners and Possessors of the Meadow lying in the Elizabeth-Town Great Meadows, adjoining and contiguous to a Ditch commonly called the Great Ditch, to clear out, open and enlarge the same, and to make and maintain Sluices and Dams to keep out the Tide and drain the said Meadow,’ was read a second Time, and ordered a third Reading.

Mr. Taylor, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for Concurrence, the following Resolutions :

‘ *Resolved,* That the Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized and directed to issue a Certificate to Peter Salmon for the Sum of Twelve Pounds Five Shillings and Six-pence, being the Amount of a Debt adjudged to be due from the confiscated Estate of Allen Wager to the said Peter Salmon, if so much of said Estate remains in the Treasury, but if not then as much of said Estate as is remaining; which said Certificate shall be issued agreeably to the Act for ascertaining the Value of Debts due from the forfeited Estates of certain Fugitives and Offenders, and for directing the Payment of the same, passed December 23d, 1783.

‘ *Resolved,* That the Attorney-General be and he is hereby directed and authorized to institute and file a Bill in Equity, in the Court of Chancery of this State, against Jacob Winans and Nathaniel Farrand, for the Recovery of the Amount of certain Certificates fraudulently issued and paid into the Treasury.

‘ *Resolved,*

Resolved, That the Treasurer be directed to pay to Joseph Lewis the Sum of Fourteen Pounds Thirteen Shillings and Eleven-pence, being the Balance due to him as Paymaster of the Militia of the County of Bergen, Morris and Suffex: That the Auditor be directed to charge Azariah Dunham, Esquire, late Superintendant of Purchases, with the Sum of Three Hundred and Sixty-four Pounds Six Shillings and Ten-pence: And that the Treasurer be directed to give a Draught or Order in Favour of the said Joseph Lewis, upon any one or more of the Collectors of Morris County, for so much of the Arrears of Taxes due in said County previous to the Year 1785 as will amount to the said Sum of Three Hundred and Sixty-four Pounds Six Shillings and Ten-pence, being the Balance due to said Lewis as Contractor of the County of Morris, and the said Lewis's Receipt or Receipts for those Sums respectively shall be a sufficient Voucher or Vouchers for so much of the publick Money in the Settlement of the Treasurer's Accounts with this State.

Mr. Ellis reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The Council having taken into Consideration the Resolution relative to directing the Attorney-General to file a Bill in Equity against Jacob Winans and Nathaniel Farrand, &c. the Resolution relative to directing the Treasurer to pay to Joseph Lewis the Sum of Fourteen Pounds Thirteen Shillings and Eleven-pence; and directing the Treasurer to give a Draught or Order in Favour of Joseph Lewis on the Collectors of the County of Morris for Three Hundred and Sixty-four Pounds Six Shillings and Ten-pence, &c. and the Resolution relative to directing the Treasurer to issue a Certificate to Peter Salmon for Twelve Pounds Five Shillings and Six-pence, &c.

Resolved, That the House agree thereto.

Ordered, That Mr. Mayhew do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

The House adjourned until ten o'Clock To-morrow Morning.

Saturday, November 29, 1788.

The House met—Present as before.

Mr. Mayhew reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House of Yesterday.

The Bill, intituled, 'An Act to enable the Owners of Tide-Swamps and Marshes to improve the same, and the Owners of Meadows already banked in, and held by different Persons, to keep the same in good Repair,' was read a third Time; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It was carried in the Affirmative, Nem. Con.

Ordered, That the Vice-President do sign the same.

The Bill, intituled, 'An Act to enable the Owners and Possessors of the Meadow lying in Elizabeth-Town Great Meadows, adjoining and contiguous to a Ditch commonly called the Great Ditch, to clear out, open and enlarge the same, and to make and maintain Sluices and Dams to keep out the Tide and drain the said Meadows,' was read a third Time; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It was carried in the Affirmative, Nem. Con.

Ordered, That the Vice-President do sign the same.

Ordered, That Mr. Eldredge do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the two foregoing Bills are passed by this House without Amendment.

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Mr. Eldredge reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

Mr. Cook, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for Concurrence, a Bill, intituled, 'A Supplement to the Act, intituled, An Act for regulating the Election of Members of the Legislative-Council and Assembly, Sheriffs and Coroners of the State of New-Jersey, and of Delegates to represent the said State in the Congress of the United States:' A Bill, intituled, 'An Act to revive an Act, intituled, An Act for the Relief of Persons who have purchased Property for the Use of the Publick:' A Bill, intituled, 'An Act for the Relief of Persons liable to Fines for concealing Debts and other Property forfeited to this State:' A Bill, intituled, 'A Supplement to the Act, intituled, An Act to ascertain the Time and Mode of levying Taxes, and the better to enforce the Collection thereof:' Which several Bills were read, and ordered a second Reading.

Mr. Cook also brought to this House the re-engrossed Bill, intituled, 'An Act more effectually to secure the faithful Execution of the Office of Sheriff,' which re-engrossed Bill having been read and compared,

Resolved, That the same do pass.

Ordered, That the Vice-President do sign the said re-engrossed Bill.

Mr. Cook also brought to this House, for Concurrence, the following Resolutions:

'*Resolved*, That the Treasurer be directed and required to take the most effectual Measures to collect the Deficiencies of Continental Taxes due from the several Counties, and that he receive, in Payment of the same, Certificates of this State. And also that he be required to credit the Sums overpaid by the several Counties on any Taxes which are or may be due therefrom.

'*Resolved*, That Abraham Ogden, Esquire, be appointed an Agent, in Behalf of this State, to join with and assist David Olden, Esquire, the Agent of forfeited Estates in the County of Middlesex, to join with Perry and Hays, or their Attorney, for the Purpose of ascertaining and procuring Payment to this State from the United States the Value of certain Property taken from Spotswood Iron-Works, in the County of Middlesex, in the Course of the late War, and appropriated to the Use of the United States, which Property was held by the said Perry and Hays in Company with Miles Sherbrook, and the Right of the said Sherbrook thereto forfeited to this State; and that the said Agents lay an Account of their Proceedings before the Legislature at their next Sitting, together with their Expence in and about the same.'

The House adjourned to three o'Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

The Bill, intituled, 'A Supplement to the Act, intituled, An Act for regulating the Election of Members of the Legislative-Council and Assembly, Sheriffs and Coroners of the State of New-Jersey, and of Delegates to represent the said State in the Congress of the United States,' was read a second Time, and ordered a third Reading.

Mr. Burgin, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for Concurrence, a Warrant entitling Thomas Combs, a disabled Officer, to draw Fifty Shillings per Month in Addition to the Sum heretofore allowed.

The Bill, intituled, 'An Act for the Relief of Persons liable to Fines for concealing Debts and other Property forfeited to this State,' was read a second Time, and ordered a third Reading.

The Bill, intituled, 'An Act to revive an Act, intituled, An Act for the Relief

‘ relief of Persons who have purchased Property for the Use of the Publick,’ was read a second Time, and ordered a third Reading.

The Bill, intituled, ‘ A Supplement to the Act, intituled, An Act to ascertain the Time and Mode of levying Taxes, and the better to enforce the Collection thereof,’ was read a second Time, and ordered a third Reading.

The Bill, intituled, ‘ A Supplement to the Act, intituled, An Act for regulating the Election of Members of the Legislative-Council and Assembly, Sheriffs and Coroners of the State of New-Jersey, and of Delegates to represent the said State in the Congress of the United States,’ was read a third Time; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It was carried in the Affirmative, as follows :

Yeas.	Yeas.	Nay.
Mr. Haring,	Mr. Ellis,	Mr. Ogden.
Mr. Chetwood,	Mr. Mayhew,	
Mr. Manning,	Mr. Eldredge,	
Mr. Holmes,	Mr. Kitchel,	
Mr. Martin,	Mr. Thompson.	
Mr. Smith,		

Ordered, That the Vice-President do sign the said Bill.

The Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act for the Relief of Persons liable to Fines, for concealing Debts and other Property forfeited to this State,’ was read a third Time; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It was carried in the Affirmative, Nem. Con.

Ordered, That the Vice-President do sign the said Bill.

The Bill, intituled, ‘ A Supplement to the Act, intituled, An Act to ascertain the Time and Mode of levying Taxes, and the better to enforce the Collection thereof,’ was read a third Time; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It was carried in the Affirmative, Nem. Con.

Ordered, That the Vice-President do sign the said Bill.

The Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to revive an Act, intituled, An Act for the Relief of Persons who have purchased Property for the Use of the Publick,’ was read a third Time; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It was carried in the Affirmative, Nem. Con.

Ordered, That the Vice-President do sign the said Bill.

Ordered, That Mr. Ogden do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the four foregoing Bills are passed by this House without Amendment.

Ordered, That Mr. Ogden also acquaint them that this House agree to the Warrant entitling Thomas Combs, a disabled Officer, to draw Fifty Shillings per Month in Addition to the Sum heretofore allowed, and also in the Resolution appointing Abraham Ogden, Esquire, an Agent to join with and assist David Olden, Esquire, &c.

Mr. Kitchel, from the House of Assembly, brought to this House, for Concurrence, the following Report and Resolution.

‘ Mr. Bunn, from the Committee appointed to join a Committee of Council on such publick Accounts as should be referred to them during the Sitting of the Legislature, reported as follows :

‘ **T**HAT they have, pursuant to their Appointment, examined such Accounts as have been referred to them, and have adjusted and settled the same in the following Manner :

‘ 1. To David Campbell, a Soldier, wounded the 23d Day of September 1778, when in actual Service near the Liberty Pole in the County of Bergen, under the Command of Captain Elias Romine, by a Party of British Horse, for Attendance

‘ tendance and Medicine furnished him by Doctor Arthur Langhorne, Seven Pounds Sixteen Shillings.

‘ 2. To Peter Demarett, a Soldier, wounded the 23d of September 1778, when in actual Service in the County of Bergen, under the Command of Captain Elias Romine, by a Party of British Horfe, for Attendance and Medicines furnished him by Doctor Arthur Langhorne, Seven Pounds Sixteen Shillings.

‘ 3. To Doctor William Little, for Medicines furnished to, and Attendance on fundry Soldiers wounded in the Service, under the Command of Captain Thomas Chadwick, in Monmouth County, in the Year 1781, Nine Pounds Fifteen Shillings.

‘ 4. To Ditto, for Medicines furnished to, and Attendance on William Rebeck and fundry other Soldiers wounded in the Service, under the Command of Col. Asher Holmes and Major Walton, of the County of Monmouth, in the Years 1778 and 1779, Fifteen Pounds.

‘ 5. To Benjamin Conklin, for Medicines furnished to, and Attendance on him by Doctor Philemon Elmer, when wounded by the Enemy, under the Command of Lieutenant-Colonel Jacob Crane, of the County of Essex, Five Pounds Thirteen Shillings.

‘ 6. To Ditto, for Nurfing and Boarding furnished him by Samuel Darby when wounded in 1777, Two Pounds Twelve Shillings and Six-pence.

‘ By Order of the Committee,
‘ EPHRAIM MARTIN,
‘ EDWARD BUNN.

‘ *Resolved*, That the Treasurer be directed to pay to the several Persons therein named the Sums annexed to their respective Names.’

The House adjourned until nine o’Clock Monday Morning.

Monday, December 1, 1788.

The House met.

P R E S E N T,

The VICE-PRESIDENT,

Mr. CHETWOOD,	Mr. ELLIS,
Mr. ELDREDGE,	Mr. THOMPSON,
Mr. MARTIN,	Mr. OGDEN,
Mr. HOLMES,	Mr. MANNING,
Mr. SMITH,	Mr. HARING,
Mr. MAYHEW,	Mr. KITCHEL.

Ordered, That Mr. Kitchel do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that this House approve of the Report of the Committee on publick Accounts, and agree to the Resolution accompanying the same; and also to the Resolution relative to directing the Treasurer to take the most effectual Measures to collect the Deficiencies of Continental Money, and to receive in Payment certain Certificates of the State, &c.

Mr. Ogden reported, that he had obeyed the several Orders of the House of Saturday last.

Mr. Elmer, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for Concurrence, a Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act for defraying fundry Incidental Charges,’ which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The said Bill was read a second Time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third Time.

The said Bill was read a third Time; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It was carried in the Affirmative, Nem. Con.

Ordered, That the Vice-President do sign the said Bill.

Ordered, That Mr. Kitchel do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said Bill is passed by this House.

Mr. Elmer, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for Concurrence, the following Resolution:

‘ WHEREAS the Repeal of certain Parts of the Practice Law renders the Revision of the Act, intituled, “ An Act for the better enabling the Judges and Justices of this Colony to ascertain and tax Bills of Cost, and for making Provision by Law for the Payment of the Services of the several Officers of the Colony, and for preventing the said Officers from taking exorbitant Fees,” passed February 18, 1747-8, expedient, in Order that the Fees for necessary Services on Prosecutions in the Courts of Law and Equity in this State may be the more clearly ascertained, and that the Practice of the said Courts may be the better fitted to our present Situation;

‘ *Resolved,* That the Honourable John Chetwood, James Kinsey and Abraham Ogden, Esqrs. Counsellors at Law, be and they hereby are appointed to revise the said recited Act without Delay, and make all necessary Alterations therein, to reform the Practice of the said Courts in such Manner as may more effectually secure the Ends of Justice, and to lay the same as soon as may be before the Legislature for their Consideration; and that they be allowed such Compensation for their Services as shall appear, upon the Completion of the said Business, just and reasonable.’

The Council having taken the foregoing Resolution into Consideration,

Resolved, That the House do concur therein.

Ordered, That Mr. Kitchel do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

Mr. Kitchel reported, that he had obeyed the several Orders of the House of this Day.

The Honourable Benjamin Vancleve, Esquire, Speaker of the House of Assembly, came into Council, and acquainted the Vice-President that the House of Assembly had gone through their Business, and rose *sine die*.

Whereupon Council rose *sine die* likewise.

BY Virtue of an Order of Council I appoint Isaac Collins to print these Journals.

WIL. LIVINGSTON, President.



