

Mercurii 7^o Martii 1781

The House in a Committee went through
The Land Tax Comm^o Name Bill &
The Militia pay Bill

To report tomorrow

The Bill for keeping the Militia complete was read
2^o & committed for Friday

The Report of Commons Bill tomorrow
The House in a Committee of Ways & Means

Question proposed

That £12,000,000 be raised by Annuities & £48,000 by
a Lottery as follows

That every Contributor for £100 shall be entitled
to £100. 3^o Cent Annuities & to an additional Principal sum
of £50 in like Annuities, and also to a further Principal sum
of £25. 4^o Cent Annuities to commence from 5 Janry 1781 - the
3^o Cents to be added to the consolidated 3^o Cent Annuities
& the 4^o Cent to be added to the £4^o Cent Consolidated
Annunities & charged upon the Sinking Fund & payable
transferable at the Bank of England

That every Contributor of £1000 be entitled to
4 Lottery Tickets at £10 each the Money to be distributed
into Prizes & paid at the Bank of England

That the payments be made at particular stated
times & the Interest to be payable half yearly

Then an amendment was proposed to leave out the
Words respecting the Lottery of the Question being put, That
the words respecting the Lottery stand part of the Question

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The Committee divided

Ayes 169

Noes 111

Resolved

That every Lottery Office keeper shall take out a
Licence

That £50 be paid for every Licence

The Money to be applied to the Expenses of the Lottery

That the £400000 which stood reduced from
5th Janry 1781 be with the Consent of the Proprietors added
to the £300000 consolidated Annuities and that such persons
who shall not on or before the 20th March 1781 signify their
Dissent in Books to be opened at the Banks for that purpose
shall be deemed to assent thereto

To report tomorrow

Committee of Supply & ways & means on Friday

H. J.