

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, November, 1789. 5

Amendments proposed. Strike out from the end of the title of the act, in page 1, to the words "be it enacted," in page 3, and insert "whereas, at a session of assembly begun and held at the city of Annapolis on Monday the third of November, in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty-eight, an act of assembly, entitled, An act to alter such parts of the constitution and form of government as prevent a citizen from taking a seat in the legislature, or being an elector of the senate, without taking an oath to the support of this government, was passed, to alter, change and abolish, such parts of the constitution and form of government as are therein mentioned: And whereas the said act of assembly hath been published in due form for the space of three months next before the late general election of delegates to the house of delegates, according to the provisions of the said form of government, and this general assembly hereby intend to confirm the said act." Strike out from the words "therein mentioned," in the 12th line of the 3d page, to the end of the bill.

Mr. J. Worthington, from the house of delegates, delivers to the president the following message:

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, NOVEMBER 18, 1789.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR'S,

THIS house have appointed Mr. Sency, Mr. Faw and Mr. Stewart, to be of the committee, with three members to be named by your honours, to hear and determine on such excuses as may be offered to them by those members of the last general assembly who have not been excused for absenting themselves during the last session of assembly, and of those members of this general assembly who have absented themselves, or who may hereafter absent themselves, without leave, during this session, according to an act, entitled, An act to compel the attendance of the members of the general assembly.

By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

The bill, entitled, An act to confirm an act, entitled, An act to alter such parts of the constitution and form of government as prevent a citizen from taking a seat in the legislature, or being an elector of the senate, without taking an oath to the support of this government, passed at November session, seventeen hundred and eighty-eight, and the bill, entitled, An act to empower the administrator de bonis non of Richard Lee, late of Charles county, deceased, and the administrator de bonis non of Philip Thomas Lee, deceased, to sell such part of the said estates on credit as may be necessary for the payment of the debts due from the said respective intestates, and to enable the said administrator to make a distribution of the estate of the said Philip Thomas Lee among his representatives, were sent to the house of delegates by John Smith, Esquire.

The senate adjourns till to-morrow morning 9 o'clock.

T H U R S D A Y, November 19, 1789.

THE senate met. Present as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read.

Mr. Lecompte, from the house of delegates, delivers to the president the following resolution:

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, NOVEMBER 18, 1789.

RESOLVED, That the treasurer of the western shore pay to William Philips, or order, the sum of eighty-four pounds sixteen shillings and three-pence current money; it being the sum paid by said Philips into the treasury for a tract of land called Partnership, since granted to Robert Goldsborough.

By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

Which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

On motion, RESOLVED, That to-morrow be appointed for balloting for a person to supply the vacancy in the senate occasioned by the death of William Harrison, Esquire.

On motion, Nicholas Hammond, Esquire, brings in and delivers to the president a bill, entitled, An act to promote the gradual abolition of slavery, and to prevent the rigorous exportation of negroes and mulattoes from this state.

Which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

The following message was prepared, agreed to, and sent to the house of delegates by Samuel Hughes, Esquire.

BY THE SENATE, NOVEMBER 19, 1789.

GENTLEMEN,

WE have appointed John Smith, James Carroll and Samuel Hughes, Esquires, to meet the gentlemen for the purposes named in your message of yesterday by Mr. John Worthington.

By order,

H. RIDGELY, clk.

The senate adjourns till to-morrow morning 9 o'clock.

F R I D A Y, November 20, 1789.

THE senate met. Present as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read.

Mr. Faw, from the house of delegates, delivers to the president a bill, entitled, An act to regulate the affize of bread, endorsed; "By the house of delegates, November 17, 1789: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

"By the house of delegates, November 19, 1789: Read the second time and will pass.

"By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

Which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

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