

A bill, entitled, A supplement to the act, entitled, An act for the regulation of officers fees, a bill, entitled, An act to make permanent and to continue the acts of assembly therein mentioned, and a bill, entitled, An act to appoint commissioners to examine, survey and lay out, the several roads therein mentioned, severally thus endorsed; "By the house of delegates, December 26, 1799: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

"By the house of delegates, December 27, 1799: Read the second time by especial order and will pass.

"By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk."

The following resolution:

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, DECEMBER 26, 1799.

Whereas it appears to this general assembly, by a certificate from the treasurer of the western shore, that there was due to William Hindman, Gabriel Duvall, and the representatives of William Perry, late of Talbot county, deceased, on the twenty-third of March, seventeen hundred and ninety-nine, the sum of three hundred and one pounds ten shillings and three-pence, being an over payment made by them for confiscated property purchased of the state, arising from a deficiency of one hundred and forty-three acres in the land purchased, as appears by the certificate of survey returned by John Brown Hackett, appointed to make the survey; RESOLVED, That the treasurer of the western shore pay the said sum of three hundred and one pounds ten shillings and three-pence, with interest from the twenty-third day of March last, to the said William Hindman, Gabriel Duvall, and the legal representatives of William Perry, or either of them, on application.

By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

And also the following message, and bill therein mentioned.

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, DECEMBER 27, 1799.

GENTLEMEN OF THE SENATE,

WE cannot assent to the amendments proposed to the bill, entitled, An act to regulate public ferries, because they change and introduce principles in direct violation of private rights. The laws now in force are uncertain and inexplicit. The property and rights of citizens to an amount exceeding twenty thousand dollars per annum is at stake; and under this impression we solicit an early conference with you on this interesting business, and have appointed Mr. Digges, Mr. Key, Mr. Edmondson, Mr. Carroll and Mr. Duckett, to join such gentlemen as you may appoint conferees on this subject.

By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

Which were severally read, and the bills and resolution ordered to lie on the table.

The clerk of the house of delegates delivers to the clerk of the senate the bill, entitled, An act to incorporate the Roman catholic congregation in Cob Neck, in Charles county, thus endorsed, "By the house of delegates, December 16, 1799: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

"By the house of delegates, December 27, 1799: Read the second time and will pass.

"By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk."

Which said bill was ordered to be engrossed.

The bill, entitled, An act to establish an academy at Easton, in Talbot county, was read the second time by especial order and will pass.

On motion, ORDERED, That Mr. Hammond, Mr. Dennis, Mr. Dorsey, Mr. McMechen and Mr. Goldsborough, be a committee to consider on, and report an answer to, the message respecting the bill, entitled, An act to regulate public ferries.

The bill, entitled, An act to authorize the laying out a public road from Thomas Under Hill's mill, to intersect the road leading from John Neale's to John Coxe's, in Harford county, was read the second time by especial order and will pass.

The senate adjourns until to-morrow morning 10 o'clock.

S A T U R D A Y, December 28, 1799.

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

The bill, entitled, An act to appoint commissioners to examine, survey and lay out, the several roads therein mentioned, was read the second time by especial order and will pass with the proposed amendments.

Amendments proposed. Strike out the word "Westminster" in the 7th line of the 1st page and insert "Hanover." Strike out the word "Westminster" in the 4th line of the 2d page and insert "Hanover." After the word "Baltimore" in the 4th line of the 3d page insert "county." At the end of the 5th line of the 5th page insert "except the surveyor, to whom the said commissioners may, in their discretion, allow a compensation not exceeding four dollars per day." Strike out the words "time and" in the last line of the bill and insert "true."

The following message was prepared, read and agreed to.

BY THE SENATE, DECEMBER 28, 1799.

GENTLEMEN,

THE amendments proposed by the senate to the bill for regulating ferries, resulted from great deliberation; and on mature reflection they have resolved to adhere to the provisions which those amendments