

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

vent debtors, passed December session eighteen hundred and seventeen; a bill, entitled, An act for the relief of Rebecca Parritt, of Anne Arundel county; a bill, entitled, An act to alter and change the name of Samuel Ulrey, of Frederick county, to the name of Klein; which were severally read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

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

FRIDAY, January 8, 1819.

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

The resolution relative to pay during the recess, was read the second and third time by special order, dissented from, and sent to the house of delegates, with the following message:

BY THE SENATE, January 8, 1819.

Gentlemen of the House of Delegates,

The senate are not aware of any law or practice which authorises the members of the general assembly to receive compensation during the recess of the assembly. It has been, so far as the senate are informed on the subject, an universal practice to fix the period for which the members are entitled to compensation, by the journal of accounts, which always receives the sanction of both branches of the legislature, and no member is entitled to, or can receive, compensation beyond the time allowed in the journal of accounts. The senate cannot therefore perceive any reason for assenting to a resolution, providing that the members of the assembly, and the officers attached thereto, shall not be allowed pay during the recess; this proposition is undoubtedly true, but as it has never been denied, nor is in danger of being contravened, the senate can see no reason for passing a resolution which will be productive of no practical results. The senate therefore, cannot doubt, but that your honourable house will, upon further consideration, concur in the propriety of abstaining from passing a resolution, which simply prohibits the members of the legislature from receiving compensation in the recess of the legislature, which never has been, and probably never will be attempted. Under these impressions, the senate respectfully return herewith the resolution of the house of delegates of yesterday, with their dissent.

The senate, in communicating their dissent to the resolution for the reasons before stated, cannot however, but highly appreciate the motives which they supposed induced your honourable body to pass the resolution. A solicitude to relieve the public treasury was, no doubt, the motive. And to accomplish this desirable object, the senate are willing to concur with you in making a reasonable reduction of the per diem allowance of the members of the general assembly

By order,

R. HARWOOD, Clk.

His Excellency Charles Goldsborough, the governor elect, attending in the senate chamber, Ordered, that Messrs Winder and Maxcy inform the house of delegates, that Charles Goldsborough, the governor elect, is attending in the senate room to qualify as governor of the state of Maryland; and request their attendance.

The speaker, attended by the members of the house of delegates, appeared in the senate room, and Charles Goldsborough qualified as governor before the president of the senate, in the presence of both houses, by taking the oaths directed by the constitution and form of government; the oath of office prescribed by law, and by taking an oath to support the constitution of the United States, and also by subscribing a declaration of his belief in the christian religion

The clerk of the house of delegates delivers the following bills: A bill, entitled, An act for the relief of Edward M. G. Watson, of Frederick county; and a bill, entitled, An act for the relief of Francis E. Monks, of Harford county; which were severally read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

The president laid before the senate a letter from the honourable William Kilty, Thomas Harris, and John N. Watkins, esquires, accompanied with a volume of the laws compiled by them; which was read.

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

SATURDAY, January 9, 1819.

The senate met. Present the same members as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read. Mr Magruder appeared in the senate.

The bill, entitled, An act to quiet possessions and to prevent suits at law, was read the third time, when Mr. Carmichael moved the following amendment: After the word "warrants" in the tenth line insert "Provided such lands shall not be liable to be affected by an escheat warrant, and." Determined in the affirmative.

On motion of Mr Winder to strike out the words, "actual inclosure," in the 7th line it was determined in the affirmative.

On motion of Mr. Winder to reconsider the amendment proposed by Mr. Carmichael, the question was put, Will the senate agree to reconsider the same? Determined in the affirmative.

The question was then put, Will the senate agree to strike out the amendment? Determined in the affirmative.

The question was then put, Shall the bill pass? Determined in the affirmative.

The senate adjourns until Monday morning 10 o'clock.

MONDAY, January 11, 1819.

The senate met. Present the same members as on Saturday, except Mr. Maxcy. The proceedings of Saturday were read. Mr. Parnham appeared in the senate

The clerk of the house of delegates delivers the following bills: A bill, entitled, An act to amend the law in the cases therein mentioned; and a bill, entitled, An act for the relief of William Greeson of Frederick county; which were severally read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

The bill, entitled, An act to quiet possessions and prevent suits at law, was sent to the house of delegates by the clerk.

The bill, entitled, An act authorising Daniel Schnebly, late sheriff and collector of Washington county, to complete his collections, and authorising the levy court to pay him for certain services performed during his sheriffalty, was read the second time.