

N E G A T I V E.

Messrs. W. Thomas,	Ridgely, of Wm.	Hollingsworth,	O'Bryon,	J. Bond,	M'Mechen,
Kilgour,	Howard,	R. Bond,	Barnes,	Prall,	Swearingen,
J. Thomas,	Waggaman,	Ewing,	Seney,	Douglafs,	Van Lear.

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So it was resolved in the affirmative.

ORDERED, That the said bill; except the names of the counties now included in it, be published three weeks in the Baltimore Journal, Maryland Gazette, Hanson's George-town paper, and Maryland Herald, for the consideration of the people.

The instructions to the representatives of this state in congress, and the instructions to the senators in the senate of the United States, with the resolution appointing commissioners for building a gaol in Anne-Arundel county, were sent to the senate by the clerk.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a bill for regulating and establishing the public roads in Cecil county. ORDERED, That Mr. Ward; Mr. Hollingsworth and Mr. R. Bond, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a bill to repair the public roads in Queen-Anne's county. ORDERED, That Mr. Barnes; Mr. O'Bryon and Mr. Seney, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

The clerk of the senate delivers a memorial from Samuel Chafe, Esquire, chief judge of the general court, praying an increase of salary, endorsed; "By the senate, December 23, 1793: Read "and referred to the consideration of the house of delegates.

"By order, W. PERRY, jun. clk."

Which was read, and referred to Mr. Oneale, Mr. M'Mechen, Mr. Sprigg, Mr. Ilghman and Mr. Duvall, to consider and report thereon.

The bill to regulate and discipline the militia of this state, and the following message:

BY THE SENATE, DECEMBER 23, 1793.

GENTLEMEN,

WE have reconsidered the 7th, 9th, 14th and 16th amendments proposed by us to the bill, entitled, An act to regulate and discipline the militia of this state, and have determined to recede from the 7th and 14th; we adhere to our ninth amendment, from a conviction that it is improper to intrust the money arising from fines to the discretionary expenditures of the officers. The proposed amendment makes no appropriation of the money, but leaves it to the wisdom of the legislature, at a future session, to make some general and uniform system for the appropriation of all money arising under the operation of this act. It will make a very considerable fund, well worthy of the mature deliberation of the legislature. We will recede from the 16th amendment, provided you agree to confirm the volunteer companies in the town of Baltimore. The public situation of that town requires that energy and activity of exertion which is best produced by volunteer companies, and none of the inconveniences pointed out in your message can result from the allowance of them in a single city. We hope, that upon further consideration you will accept the amendment under that restriction. If this proposition meets your approbation, we request you to return the bill, and we will make the amendment accordingly.

By order, W. PERRY, jun. clk.

Which was read the first and second time and agreed to.

ORDERED, That Mr. Duvall, Mr. M'Mechen and Mr. Sprigg, be a committee to prepare an answer to the said message.

Mr. Duvall; from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker the following message:

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, DECEMBER 23, 1793.

GENTLEMEN OF THE SENATE,

UPON reconsideration of the 9th and 16th amendments proposed by you to the bill, entitled, An act to regulate and discipline the militia of this state, we agree to the 9th as proposed, and also to the 16th, as modified and expressed in your message of this day, and we return you the bill to be corrected accordingly.

By order, W. HARWOOD, clk.

Which was read the first and second time, and agreed to.

Mr. Sprigg, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker the following report:

THE committee to whom was referred the petitions of sundry insolvent debtors, further report, that William Keene; of Dorchester county, was inserted in the insolvent act of last year, but from the remoteness of his situation, did not receive the benefit of said act; they are therefore of opinion that he should be now relieved. They find that William Mitchell, of Harford county, and John Waters, junior, of Queen-Anne's county, have given the requisite notice; and Thomas Mitchell, of Prince-George's county, has not presented a certificate of notice, agreeably to the resolution of this house, but the committee being informed, by members of this house, that they have seen notices in the news-papers in his case, the committee are of opinion they ought to be relieved. They find, that William Allein, of Calvert county, has not given notice in any form of his intention to prefer a petition, and that he therefore ought not to be relieved. They further find, that Francis de Blok, of Baltimore-town, has given due notice; that a counter petition has been preferred, but the committee are of opinion that the allegations therein contained are not sufficient to prevent his obtaining the benefit of an insolvent act.

By order, J. W. KING, clk.

Which was read.