

Amendments proposed. Strike out from the word "purpose" in the 2d line of the 2d page to the end of the 5th line, and insert as follows: "of reviving and reinstating such cases, and placing the same in the like situation as when they went off the docket by reason of the non-attendance of the said judges; provided that nothing herein contained shall be construed to affect any judgment rendered by order of the said court." Strike out from the word "authority" in the 4th line from the bottom of the same page to the end of the bill, and insert as follows: "by and with the consent of the parties, or their counsel, in any cause, to render judgment, or to make any entry or order therein, and shall and may adjourn the said court from time to time until a sufficient number of the said judges shall attend for hearing and determining the respective causes depending in the said court." At the end of the bill add the following clause: "And, whereas causes are frequently removed merely for delay, by which the due administration of justice is greatly obstructed; for remedy whereof, Be it enacted, That in all cases where causes are removed by an appeal or writ of error, the appellant, or his counsel, shall assign his errors in writing, and subscribe the same, on or before the second day of the second term to which the said appeal is returned, and it shall be the duty of the court to examine the said errors so assigned, and if it shall appear to the judges that the cause was removed for delay, and without just cause, they shall and may affirm the same at the said second term, unless it shall appear to them reasonable to give further time under the peculiar circumstances of the case."

The bill, entitled, An act to enlarge the powers of the trustees of the poor in the several counties therein designated, was read the second time and will pass.

The following message was prepared, read, and agreed to.

BY THE SENATE, DECEMBER 26, 1799.

GENTLEMEN,

THE senate having acted upon the principal part of the business before them, and being conscious that you feel an equal solicitude with us to close the session as soon as it can be conveniently done, propose to rise on Monday next.

We flatter ourselves that this proposition will not only be agreeable to you, but will be justified by a fair presumption that the business before the legislature may be conveniently finished by that time.

By order,

A. VAN-HORN, clk.

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

F R I D A Y, December 27, 1799.

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

The bill, entitled, An act to aid and revive the proceedings of the court of appeals, with the amendments thereto, the bill, entitled, An act to enlarge the powers of the trustees of the poor in the several counties therein designated, and the message respecting adjournment, were sent to the house of delegates by the clerk.

The bill, entitled, An act to lay out certain roads from Andrew Gore and James Cooper's mill, in Baltimore county, was read the second time and will pass with the proposed amendments.

Amendments proposed. Strike out from the word "thereafter" in the 2d line from the bottom of the 2d page to the end thereof, and insert as follows: "Provided, that nothing herein contained shall be construed to authorize the levy courts of Baltimore and Anne-Arundel counties to apply any part of the money levied in said counties to the repairs of the said roads, or of either of them." Strike out the words "any constable" in the 11th line of the 3d page, and insert "the sheriff."

The bill, entitled, An act for the more effectual collection of the county charges in Allegany county, was read the second time and will not pass.

The bill, entitled, A further supplement to the act respecting the settlers on the reserved lands westward of Fort Cumberland, was read the second time by especial order and will not pass.

On motion, Mr. Hammond delivers to the president a bill, entitled, A supplement to the act, entitled, An act to erect a town in Talbot county; which was read the first and second time by especial order and will pass.

The bill, entitled, An act to open a road from the turnpike road leading toward Hanover, at or near the widow Mortar's, to intersect the York turnpike road at or near Benedict Hurst's tavern, was read the second time by especial order and will pass.

The bill, entitled, A further supplement to an act, entitled, An act to ascertain the allowance to jurymen and witnesses of the general court, and the several county and orphan courts in this state, was read the second time by especial order and will not pass.

The bill, entitled, An act to correct an error in a certain deed therein mentioned, was read the second time by especial order and will not pass.

The resolution in favour of Thomas Cockey Deye was read the second time, dissented from, and, with the seven bills next before mentioned, sent to the house of delegates by the clerk.

The clerk of the house of delegates delivers to the clerk of the senate a bill, entitled, An act to establish an academy at Easton, in Talbot county, thus endorsed; "By the house of delegates, December 24, 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."

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