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accelerate the business of the session; your discriminating these subjects from the case of Mr. Harford, and refusing to confer on them, appears to us a measure that will involve much delay, and, we fear, much contrariety of sentiment in the discussion. Had the senate been pleased to give their reasons for this discrimination, perhaps their cogency might have produced complete conviction on our minds, but as you have also omitted this, we shall at present decline any conference, except on the terms of our former message. We however cannot forbear to hope, that upon a reconsideration you will agree with us in opinion, and consent to the conference as originally proposed.

By order, W. HARWOOD, clk.
Which said bills and message were severally read, and the bills ordered to lie on the table.
The senate adjourns until to-morrow morning 10 o'clock.

F R I D A Y, November 29, 1799.

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

The clerk of the house of delegates delivers to the clerk of the senate a bill, entitled, An act to alter that part of the constitution and form of government which requires property as a qualification in voters, thus endorsed; "By the house of delegates, November 13, 1799: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order, W. HARWOOD, clk.
"By the house of delegates, November 29, 1799: Read the second time and will pass.

Which was read the first and second time by especial order and will not pass.
"By order, W. HARWOOD, clk."

The clerk of the house of delegates delivers to the clerk of the senate a bill, entitled, An act to change the name of William Taylor, of Montgomery county, thus endorsed; "By the house of delegates, November 25, 1799: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order, W. HARWOOD, clk.
"By the house of delegates, November 29, 1799: Read the second time and will pass.

A bill, entitled, An act authorizing the levy court of Caroline county to appoint constables in the different towns and villages in said county, thus endorsed; "By the house of delegates, November 29, 1799: Read the first and second time by especial order and will pass.

"By order, W. HARWOOD, clk."

And also the following resolutions:

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, NOVEMBER 27, 1799.

RESOLVED, That the chancellor be and he is hereby authorized to inquire into the facts stated in the petition of William Goodwin, Robert Dorsey and Elizabeth Dorsey, and if they are established to the satisfaction of the said chancellor, that he be authorized to direct a copy of the certificate, taken from the books of Lock Weems, formerly surveyor of Anne-Arundel county, to be received in the western shore land-office, and a patent thereon to issue, to secure the legal title to the said lands according to the interests of the respective petitioners, provided that such patent shall not be construed to affect the rights or interests of any other person or persons having claim to the said land.

By order, W. HARWOOD, clk.

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, NOVEMBER 29, 1799.

Whereas George Twilly, senior, of Somerset county, by his petition to this general assembly has set forth, that he is possessed of a certain tract of land called Chance, upon which he has made certain improvements within the bounds of the courses, as per certificate obtained from William Steuart, formerly register of the land-office, but that from a late certificate of the courses of the said tract of land, made out by John Callahan, the now register of the land-office of the western shore, it appears that the former certificate, by which the said land was surveyed, was incorrect, and that in marking and bounding said land, agreeably to the latter certificate, by virtue of a commission obtained from the county court of Somerset, a vacancy was discovered, upon which are the aforesaid improvements, but which said vacancy, he, the said Twilly, has taken up, and for which he is ready and willing at all times to pay the caution money, but prays this general assembly to release him from the payment of seventeen pounds six shillings and nine-pence, the valuation of the aforementioned improvements; RESOLVED, therefore, That the said George Twilly, senior, of Somerset county, be and he is hereby released, and for ever discharged, upon his paying the caution money on the said vacant land, from the payment of the aforesaid sum of seventeen pounds six shillings and nine-pence; and the register of the land-office is hereby ordered and directed to issue a patent of the said land to the said Twilly, upon his complying as above directed.

By order, W. HARWOOD, clk.

Which said bills and resolutions were severally read and ordered to lie on the table.]
The bill, entitled, An act to repeal an act, entitled, An act to prevent the exportation of flour not merchantable from George-town, in Frederick county, was read the second time and will pass.

The bill, entitled, An act to prevent the going at large of swine and poultry in the town of New-Market, in Frederick county, was read the second time and will pass.

The resolution relative to the land-office of the western shore was read the second time and assented to.