

Which bill and message were here read, and the said bill, with the following message :

By the S E N A T E, June 26, 1777.

Gentlemen,

We have agreed that the article rum shall be inserted, as you have proposed by your message by Messieurs Bruff and Ridgely ; and we also agree that the following clause be added : " And be it enacted, That if the owner or possessor of any of the articles above enumerated shall attempt to remove any of them out of this state, it shall and may be lawful for any person to seize the same, and every such article so attempted to be carried out of this state shall be forfeited, one half to the person seizing the same, and the other half to the use of this state.

By order,

A. C. HANSON, cl. sen.

Was sent to the house of delegates by Robert Goldsborough, Esq;

The senate adjourns till to-morrow morning 9 o'clock.

F R I D A Y, June 27, 1777.

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

Messieurs Deye and Maddux from the house of delegates, deliver to the president a bill, entitled, An act for the special appointment of inspectors, thus endorsed ; " By the house of delegates, June 26, 1777 : Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

By order,

G. DUVALL, cl. ho. del.

" By the house of delegates, June 27, 1777 : Read the second time by an especial order and will pass.

By order,

G. DUVALL, cl. ho. del."

The engrossed bills, No. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, were read and assented to.

The bill, entitled, An act for the speedy recovery of small debts out of court, was read the second time by an especial order and will pass with the following proposed amendments :

In the seventh line of the first page, strike out the word " four " and all that follows to the end of the eighth line, and insert the following words, " three pounds sterling, five pounds common money, or eight hundred pounds of tobacco." In the last line of the third page, strike out the word " sixty " and insert the word " forty." At the end of the fifteenth line of the fourth page, strike out the words " shall and." After the word " may " in the sixteenth line of the same page, insert the words " in his discretion." Strike out the last line of the fourth page, and all that follows to the end of the nineteenth line of the seventh page. After the word " were " in the twentieth line of the same page, strike out all that follows to the word " the " in the following line. After the first line of the eighth page, insert the words " empowered and directed." Strike out the first clause in the tenth page. In the ninth line of the same page, strike out the word " sixty," and insert the words " at a certain day not exceeding forty." In the eleventh line of the same page, after the word " required," insert the words " upon application of the party." After the word " returns," in the same line, strike out all that follows to the word " and " in the thirteenth line of the same page. From the beginning of the last clause in the same page, strike out all that follows to the end of the same clause. From the word " more," in the sixth line from the bottom of the eleventh page, strike out all that follows to the end of the same page, and insert the following words, " and that neither of the parties shall be allowed in the costs for more than three witnesses." After the word " witnesses," in the first line of the twelfth page, strike out all that follows to the word " do " in the second line of the same page. After the word " witness," in the third line of the same page, strike out the words " freeholders, or other persons qualified as aforesaid." After the word " exceed," in the third line of the last page, strike out all that follows to the word " any " in the fifth line, and insert the following words, " three pounds sterling, five pounds common money, or eight hundred pounds of tobacco. In the eighth line of the same page, after the word " trespass," insert the word " or."

Sent to the house of delegates by Charles Grahame, Esq;

Messieurs Fitzhugh and Maxwell from the house of delegates, deliver to the president a bill, entitled, a supplement to the acts for assessment of property, thus endorsed ; " By the house of delegates, June 26, 1777 : Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

By order,

G. DUVALL, cl. ho. del.

" By the house of delegates, June 27, 1777 : Read the second time by an especial order and will pass.

By order,

G. DUVALL, cl. ho. del."

The bill, entitled, An act for the special appointment of inspectors, was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

The bill, entitled, A supplement to the acts for assessment of property, was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

The senate adjourns till 3 o'clock.

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