

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, NOVEMBER, 1782. 31

Messieurs Norris and Taylor, from the house of delegates, deliver to the president a bill, entitled, An act to empower James Scott, administrator of Daniel Scott, deceased, to sell and dispose of part of two tracts of land in Harford county, endorsed; "By the house of delegates, January 2, 1783: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order, W. HARWOOD, clk.

"By the house of delegates, January 3, 1783: Read the second time and will pass.

"By order, W. HARWOOD, clk."

Also a bill, entitled, An act to empower Gabriel Lewynn, administrator of Charles Riley, deceased, to sell and dispose of lots of ground in Baltimore-town, in Baltimore county, endorsed; "By the house of delegates, January 3, 1783: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order, W. HARWOOD, clk.

"By the house of delegates, January 4, 1783: Read the second time by especial order and will pass.

"By order, W. HARWOOD, clk."

Which were read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

The bill for the relief of Edward Hargadine, and the bill to prevent the subjects of an enemy from coming into this state, with the message thereon, were sent to the house of delegates by Charles Carroll, of Carrollton, Esq;

The bill to empower John Cradock and Elizabeth Worthington to convey in fee simple certain lands, was read the second time and will not pass, and so endorsed, with the following message, was sent to the house of delegates by James M'Henry, Esq;

BY THE SENATE, JANUARY 4, 1783.

GENTLEMEN,

BY the letters from Mr. Matthew Ridley, communicated yesterday to this house and this day transmitted to your's, it appears that that gentleman has negotiated a loan in Holland, on account of this state, of three hundred thousand florins, and that he has in view, and his instructions will justify him, to carry it as far as six hundred thousand florins, or indeed to a capital, the interest of which, at five per cent. will amount to one thousand hogheads of tobacco at fourteen livres per hundred, or in other words to twelve shillings and three-pence sterling per centum.

In our present circumstances we conceive that this contract will be very disadvantageous to the state, and if extended, which it probably may, to the sum of sixty thousand pounds sterling, will involve this state in so great a foreign debt, as will prove extremely burdensome, considering the low prices obtained for the tobacco payable annually for the interest of the loan.

We wish that in case this matter should strike you in the same point of view as it does us, that a resolve may pass both houses, requesting the governor and council immediately to write to Mr. Matthew Ridley, to stop his further proceeding in the loan, or purchase of cloathing and military stores, or other articles, for the use of this state.

By order, J. MACCUBBIN, clk.

The bill, entitled, An act to empower James Scott, administrator of Daniel Scott, deceased, to sell and dispose of part of two tracts of land in Harford county, was read the second time and will pass.

The intendant of the revenue communicates to the senate a representation, suggesting the propriety of applying a sum of money in the hands of general Smallwood, in discharge of the journal of accounts, instead of selling specifics, and requesting a resolution to that effect; which was read, and, with the above bill, sent to the house of delegates by Charles Carroll, Barrister, Esq;

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

SUNDAY, January 5, 1783.

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

Messieurs M'Mechen and Fell, from the house of delegates, deliver to the president the bill, entitled, An act for the more effectual paving the streets of Baltimore-town, in Baltimore county, endorsed; "By the house of delegates, January 2, 1783: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order, W. HARWOOD, clk.

"By the house of delegates, January 4, 1783: Read the second time and will pass with the proposed amendments.

"By order, W. HARWOOD, clk."

Amendments proposed to the bill for the more effectual paving the streets of Baltimore-town, in Baltimore county.

Page 2. In the third line from the top, after the word "half," strike out the word "quarterly," and insert "yearly."

Page 6. In the 8th line from the top, strike out the word "sinking," and insert "stinking."

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