

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, NOVEMBER 1784.

“ By the house of delegates, December 31, 1784: Read the second time and will pass.  
 “ By order, W. HARWOOD, clk.”

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

Mr. De Butts, from the house of delegates, delivers to the president the following message:

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, DECEMBER 31, 1784.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOURS,

WE join in opinion with you, that the several matters contained in your message of yesterday by Daniel Carroll, Esquire, deserve the earliest attention and notice of the general assembly; we have therefore appointed Mr. Carroll, Mr. Chase, Mr. G. Scott, Mr. Joseph Dashiell, Mr. Hindman, Mr. Key, and Mr. Wootton, to confer with the gentlemen nominated by your honours, on the several important subjects contained in your message.

By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

Samuel Hughes, Esq; brings in and delivers to the president a bill, entitled, An act to authorize and empower the proprietors of Cranberry swamp in Harford county, to reclaim and drain the same; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

The president lays before the senate a remonstrance from Clement Hollyday, respecting the commission on that part of confiscated British property sold and unbonded for; which was read.

The bill, entitled, An act to authorize and empower the proprietors of Cranberry swamp in Harford county, to reclaim and drain the same; and the bill, entitled, An act for the relief of M.ajah Mitchell; were read the second time by especial order, passed, and with the bill, entitled, An act to prevent owners of slaves from permitting them to hire themselves on contract, were sent to the house of delegates by William Hindman, Esq;

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

SATURDAY, January 1, 1785.

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

Mr. Quynn, from the house of delegates, delivers to the president a bill, entitled, An act for altering the time of holding the courts in the counties therein mentioned, endorsed; “ By the house of delegates, December 30, 1784: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.”

“ By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

“ By the house of delegates, January 1, 1785: Read the second time and will pass.

“ By order,

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Also a bill, entitled, An act to empower Charles Steuart, administrator of John Bennett, to dispose of the real estate of said John Bennett for the payment of his debts, endorsed; “ By the house of delegates, December 31, 1784: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.”

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“ By the house of delegates, January 1, 1785: Read the second time and will pass.

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

Also the following resolution:

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, JANUARY 1, 1785.

RESOLVED, That the resolution of the 20th of December 1783, directing the auditor-general or his deputy not to adjust or liquidate any certificate in virtue of the act of November session seventeen hundred and eighty-two, until the further order of the general assembly, be repealed, and that any such certificate may be received and liquidated agreeably to the said act, to the amount of not exceeding in the whole the sum of two hundred thousand pounds current money.

By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

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

And also the following resolution:

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, JANUARY 1, 1785.

WHEREAS Thomas Hyde, of the city of Annapolis, hath set forth, by his petition to this general assembly, that he obtained out of the land-office a warrant of resurvey on a lot of land in the city of Annapolis, situated on one of the branches of a creek running into the said city, with a view to secure a small quantity of ground made by him, by filling in the marshy part of the head of the said branch, on which he had erected a small building for the use of a mill-house to a tan-yard, which was contiguous to the said ground; that he had a resurvey made in virtue of the said warrant, and a certificate thereof returned to the land-office, on which he paid the composition money and the value of the house above mentioned, as ascertained by the surveyor; that upon application for patent he was informed, that by an act passed in April session, subsequent to the date of his warrant aforesaid, all lands heretofore resurveyed for the use of the proprietor were reserved to such uses and purposes as the general assembly should hereafter direct, in which it is conceived a former resurvey on the city of Annapolis is included, though he apprehends not within the intention of the legislature; and praying that a resolution might pass, directing the register of the land-office to issue patent on his certificate of resurvey; and it appearing to this general assembly, that the facts therein stated are true: Therefore, RESOLVED, That the register of the land-office be, and he is hereby directed to make out a patent on the resurvey aforesaid in the usual manner, any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.