

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

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, JANUARY 11, 1785.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOURS,

THIS house are determined to adjourn on Saturday next to the time mentioned in our message of yesterday, and think that such important business as may remain unfinished this session can then receive the decision of the legislature; and we will rather consent to a spring session, however inconvenient, than continue to sit at this time to consider the subjects of the conference, which would probably require some weeks to determine.

By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

The bill, entitled, An act for the benefit of Sarah Muir of Saint Mary's county, was read the second time by especial order and will not pass.

The bill, entitled, An act for laying out a road to and from the mill seat of Nicholas Randall, on the main falls of Patapsco, Anne-Arundel and Baltimore counties, was read the second time by especial order and will pass.

Thomas Stone, Esq; brings in and delivers to the president a bill, entitled, An act for enlarging the power of the high court of chancery; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

The president lays before the senate an address, with sundry papers, from Thomas Stone, Esq; stating his conduct as a delegate in congress upon the arrest of captain Carberry, and submitting it to the consideration of the general assembly; which was read and referred to the consideration of the house of delegates.

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

W E D N E S D A Y, January 12, 1785.

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

The bill, entitled, An act for the benefit of Sarah Muir, of Saint Mary's county; the bill, entitled, An act for laying out a road to and from the mill seat of Nicholas Randall, on the main falls of Patapsco, Anne-Arundel and Baltimore counties; and the address of Thomas Stone; were sent to the house of delegates by Charles Carroll, of Carrollton, Esq;

The senate, agreeably to the order of the day, proceeded to the consideration of the bill, entitled, An act for the relief of James Armstrong, of Baltimore county, and Robert Wood, of Frederick county, insolvent debtors, and after several depositions and papers respecting the facts set forth in the said bill were read and duly considered, the said bill was read the second time and will pass.

The president lays before the senate a petition from Jean Chever, respecting the liquidation of his pay and subsistence; which was read and referred to the consideration of the house of delegates.

The bill, entitled, An act to secure the payment, and to give a recovery, of money lent by foreigners to citizens of this state on mortgage of lands, was read the second time by especial order with the proposed amendment and will pass.

Amendment proposed. Strike out the preamble and insert, "Whereas it may prove advantageous to citizens of this state, were foreigners enabled to lend to them money on mortgages; and whereas such loans may conduce much to the improvement of the country."

The bill, entitled, An act to establish funds to secure the payment of the state debt within six years, and for the punctual payment of the annual interest thereon, was read the second time, passed, and, with the above bills and petition, sent to the house of delegates by John Smith, Esquire.

The bill, entitled, An act to raise the supplies for the ensuing year, was read the second time, passed, and sent to the house of delegates by Daniel Carroll, Esq;

The bill, entitled, An act for the division of Washington county, and the erecting a new one by the name of Fayette county, was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

Charles Carroll, of Carrollton, Esq; gave notice of his intention to protest against the passage of the bill, entitled, An act to establish funds to secure the payment of the state debt within six years, and for the punctual payment of the annual interest thereon.

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

T H U R S D A Y, January 13, 1785.

THE senate met. Present as on yesterday. The honourable George Plater, Esq; president, having leave of absence, the senate proceeded to the election of a president in the room of the honourable George Plater, Esq; the ballot box was prepared, the ballots deposited therein, and on examination thereof it appeared, that John Smith, Esq; had a majority of votes; whereupon it is declared in the senate, that John Smith, Esq; is duly elected president of the senate.

The proceedings of yesterday were read.

Mr. Stevenson, from the house of delegates, delivers to the president a bill, entitled, An act for the benefit of Mary Fitzhugh, the wife of George Fitzhugh, of Baltimore county, endorsed;

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