

years, thirty pounds current money." In the 4th line, strike out the words "thirty-six years," and insert the words "forty years, twenty pounds current money." In the same line, strike out from the word "to" inclusive, to the word "valuation" in the 7th line. After the word "return" in the last line, add "and if any slave, from infirmities or age, shall be altogether incapable to earn by labour more than is necessary for their maintenance, the same shall not be valued, and if they are valued, the commissioners may, on application of the owner or person having the care and management of such slave." In the clause marked A, in the second line, strike out "grain tobacco and." In the said clause strike out from the word "wit" in the 3d line, to the word "four" in the 8th line, and in the same line strike out the word "four" and insert "two." Strike out the first clause in the 15th page.

Page 10. After the clause, insert "and if any person shall remove his property as aforesaid, for the purpose aforesaid, and the same shall thereby, or by any other fraud or devise, escape being assised, such person, being thereof convicted in the county court of the county where he shall reside, shall forfeit and pay the sum of fifty pounds current money."

Page 17. In the 2d line from the bottom, after the word "courts," insert the words "and shall sit twenty days thereafter if necessary." In the last line, to the words "complaint and person," add the letter "s." In the same line, after the word "complaints," insert the words "and appeals," in the same line, strike out the word "himself," and insert the word "themselves."

Page 18. In the 11th line, strike out the word "his" and insert the word "their." In the same line, strike out from the word "assessor," to the word "and" in the 4th line.

Page 19. In the 11th line, after "county," insert "or of Baltimore-town and its precincts, as the case may be."

The senate adjourns till to-morrow morning 10 o'clock.

T H U R S D A Y, February 23, 1786.

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

The bill, entitled, An act for the relief of sundry insolvent debtors confined in sundry gaols of this state; the bill, entitled, An act for the relief of Robert Crawford of Baltimore county, confined in the gaol of said county; the petition, memorial, and remonstrances, from Baltimore-town; and the petition from George-town; were sent to the house of delegates by Samuel Hughes, Esq;

The amendments proposed to the bill ascertaining what shall be recovered on protested bills of exchange, and to repeal an act of assembly therein mentioned, were read, assented to, and the bill ordered to be engrossed.

Thomas Stone, Esq; brings in and delivers to the president a bill, entitled, An act respecting the election of governors and visitors of St. John's college; which was read the first and second time by especial order and will pass.

The bill, entitled, An act respecting executions against certain public debtors, was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

The resolution respecting the per diem allowance, was read and assented to.

Mr. Ramsey, from the house of delegates, delivers to the president the bill, entitled, An act to ascertain the value of the land in the several counties of this state for the purpose of laying the public assessment, with the following message:

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, FEBRUARY 23, 1786.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOURS,

WE have agreed to all your amendments proposed to the bill to ascertain the value of land, except the proposed appeal from the court of appeals to the governor and council. If the senate will recede from this amendment, the bill will be corrected agreeably to your other amendments. It is the opinion of this house, that the allowance to the judges of the court of appeals be ten shillings current money per day.

By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

The resolution respecting John Petty, was read, assented to, and, with the resolution respecting the per diem allowance, and bill, entitled, An act respecting the elections of governors and visitors of St. John's college, was sent to the house of delegates by James Lloyd, Esq;

The following message was prepared, agreed to, and, with the bill for the average value of land, was sent to the house of delegates by Daniel Bowley, Esq;

BY THE SENATE, FEBRUARY 23, 1786.

GENTLEMEN,

AS you object to the amendment made by us to the bill for ascertaining the average value of the land in the several counties of this state for the purpose of laying the public assessment, constituting the governor and council a court of appeals for the particular purposes therein mentioned, we will recede from the amendment, provided you will substitute the general court, as a court of appeals for the respective shires from the decision of the several county courts of appeals. We consider some judicature having the powers of revision and control over the said county courts essential to prevent any partiality or injustice which may take place in the execution of a system which may be continued some time, and we apprehend there can be no objection to fixing this power in the judges of the general court. We agree to the alteration proposed by you as to the allowances to the judges of the county court of appeals.

By order,

J. DORSEY, clk
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