

Mr. Henry, from the house of delegates, delivers to the president a bill, entitled, An act for the benefit of John Rousby Whittington, endorsed; "By the house of delegates, May 17, 1788: "Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order, W. HARWOOD, clk.
"By the house of delegates, May 22, 1788: 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. Matthews, from the house of delegates, delivers to the president the following message:

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, MAY 22, 1788.

GENTLEMEN,

THIS house have appointed Mr. Seney, Mr. Brice Worthington and Mr. Parnham, to be of the joint committee with three members to be named by your honours, to hear and determine on such excuses as may be made to them by those members of the general assembly who did not attend punctually at the beginning of the session.

By order, W. HARWOOD, clk.

The president lays before the senate a petition from doctor Henry Stevenson, respecting his confiscated property, with a certificate from the auditor-general relating thereto; which were read, and referred to the consideration of the house of delegates.

The bill, entitled, An act for the relief of the poor of Queen-Anne's county, was read the second time by especial order and will not pass.

The following message was read, agreed to, and, with the above bill, petition and certificate, and letter from the honourable Charles Carroll, of Carrollton, Esquire, was sent to the house of delegates by William Hemsley, Esquire.

BY THE SENATE, MAY 22, 1788.

GENTLEMEN,

THIS house have appointed Charles Carroll, of Carrollton, William Hemsley and William Perry, Esquires, to join the committee of your house, mentioned in your message by Mr. Matthews, for the purposes contained in the act, entitled, An act to compel the attendance of the members of the general assembly.

By order, J. DORSEY, clk.

Mr. Brown, from the house of delegates, delivers to the president the engrossed copy of the form of government, with the annexed ratification by the convention of this state, the letter and enclosure from the honourable George Plater, Esquire, and the resolution relating thereto, endorsed; "By the house of delegates, May 22, 1788: Read and assented to.

By order, W. HARWOOD, clk.

Mr. Seney, from the house of delegates, delivers to the president the following resolution:

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, MAY 22, 1788.

RESOLVED, That the auditor-general liquidate and settle the account of Messieurs Morgan and Sluby against the estate of James Chalmers, late of Kent county, and that the treasurer of the western shore issue a certificate to the said Morgan and Sluby for the balance.

By order, W. HARWOOD, clk.

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

The honourable William Hemsley, Esquire, has leave of absence, to take place on Sunday next.

On motion, ORDERED, That the clerk deliver to the executive the engrossed copy of the form of government, with the annexed duplicate of the ratification by the convention of this state, the letter and enclosure from the honourable George Plater, Esquire, and a copy of the resolution relating thereto.

The following message was read, agreed to, and sent to the house of delegates by William Perry, Esquire.

BY THE SENATE, MAY 22, 1788.

GENTLEMEN,

IN our message on Monday last by Edward Lloyd, Esquire, we entreated you to forward the public business of the session, and expressed a hope that we might be able to rise on this day at farthest. This house will be at all times willing to attend the public business when subjects of importance require it; but as we apprehend that is not the case at present, we have determined to rise on Saturday next, and hope you will direct the necessary arrangements for signing and sealing the bills passed this session on that evening.

By order, J. DORSEY, clk.
The senate adjourns till 3 o'clock.

P O S T M E R I D I E M:

The senate met. The honourable Richard Ridgely, Esquire, appeared in the senate, and after qualifying, by taking the several oaths directed by the constitution and form of government, and subscribing a declaration of his belief in the christian religion, took his seat.

Mr. Bowie, from the house of delegates, delivers to the president the following resolution:

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, MAY 22, 1788.

Whereas William Purnell was prevented by the ice from making his second payment on his bond due to this state for black and continental state money, agreeably to the resolves of the general assembly