

The senate proceeded to the election of a president in the room of the honourable Daniel Carroll, Esquire; the ballot-box was prepared, the ballots deposited therein, and on examination thereof it appeared, that the honourable John Smith, Esquire, had a majority of votes. Whereupon it is declared in the senate, that the honourable John Smith, Esquire, is duly elected president thereof.

The resolution respecting Henry Stevenson, was read the second time by especial order, assented to, and, with the resolution respecting George Bird, was sent to the house of delegates by John Henry, Esquire.

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

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, MAY 24, 1788.

RESOLVED, That the treasurer of the western shore, upon the receipt, by the first day of September next, of the amount of the final settlement certificates, for which the trustees, under the act, entitled, An act to empower Sarah Buchanan, executrix of Archibald Buchanan, deceased, Alexander Cowan, Thomas Sim Lee, Daniel of Saint Thomas Jenifer, and Benjamin Nicholson, have sold the real property of the said Archibald Buchanan, shall be empowered, and he is hereby directed, further to suspend all further proceedings against the securities of the said Archibald Buchanan, until the end of the next session of assembly.

By order, W. HARWOOD, clk.

The bill, entitled, An act for the relief of David Jones and Elizabeth his wife, was read the second time by especial order and will pass.

The bill, entitled, An act for the relief of Nicholas Blacklock, Francis Clement Dyer, Thomas Lyles, Robert Bowie, James Wilson and Zachariah Owens, late deputy-collectors of the tax in Prince-George's county for the late Thomas Williams, was read the second time by especial order and will not pass.

Mr. M'Mechen, from the house of delegates, delivers to the president a bill, entitled, An act for the more effectual punishment of criminals, endorsed; "By the house of delegates, May 23, 1788: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

By order, W. HARWOOD, clk.

"By the house of delegates, May 24, 1788: Read the second time by especial order and will pass.

By order, W. HARWOOD, clk."

Mr. Seney, from the house of delegates, delivers to the president the bill, entitled, An act to repeal part of an act, entitled, An act for removing original papers in the late prerogative office to the several counties in this state, endorsed; "By the house of delegates, May 23, 1788: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

By order, W. HARWOOD, clk.

"By the house of delegates, May 24, 1788: Read the second time by especial order and will pass.

By order, W. HARWOOD, clk."

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

SUNDAY, May 25, 1788.

THE same members appeared as on yesterday, except William Hemsley and Richard Ridgely, Esquires. John Hall, Esquire, appeared in the senate. The proceedings of yesterday were read.

The bill, entitled, An act for the more effectual punishment of criminals, was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

The resolution respecting the sale of the property of Archibald Buchanan, deceased, was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

The bill, entitled, An act to repeal part of an act, entitled, An act for removing original papers in the late prerogative office to the several counties in this state, was ordered to be engrossed.

Richard Ridgely, Esquire, appeared in the senate.

Mr. Forrest, from the house of delegates, delivers to the president the engrossed bills from No. 1 to 6, inclusive, with the paper bills thereof; which engrossed bills were severally thus endorsed; "By the house of delegates, May 25, 1788: Read and assented to.

By order, W. HARWOOD, clk."

Which engrossed bills were read and assented to.

The bill, entitled, An act for the more effectual punishment of criminals, was read the second time by especial order, will pass with the proposed amendments, and, with the bill, entitled, An act for the relief of David Jones and Elizabeth his wife, and the bill, entitled, An act for the relief of Nicholas Blacklock, Francis Clement Dyer, Thomas Lyles, Robert Bowie, James Wilson and Zachariah Owens, late deputy-collectors of the tax in Prince-George's county for the late Thomas Williams, was sent to the house of delegates by George Gale, Esquire.

Amendments proposed. At the end of the first clause of the 7th page add, "and if any criminal shall actually labour and serve the full time appointed, such labour and service shall have the effect of a pardon, to all intents and purposes, for the crimes for which such criminal was convicted." In the 8th page, leave out from the word "may," in the ninth line, to the bottom of that page, and first part of the first line of the 9th page to the word "adjudge," after the word "end," in the 3d line of the 9th page, and add, "unless good security be given to such justices, to their satisfaction, for the future good behaviour of such person so taken up as aforesaid." After the word "county," in the 12th line of the page marked ⊕, insert "and." In the 13th line of the same page, strike out the