

BY THE SENATE, NOVEMBER 25, 1789.

GENTLEMEN,

"WE have dissented to the resolution enabling the governor and council to examine and settle the account of Francis Deakins. An act was passed at the last session of assembly, which, among other provisions, appears to have referred the necessary expences attending the survey to the committee of claims; and we retain the opinion, that accounts of such importance ought to be submitted to the consideration of that tribunal. We therefore take the liberty to propose, that the memorial of Mr. Deakins, the accounts, vouchers and other documents, of his services, be referred to that committee, and to suggest the propriety of a distinct report upon this subject. Whilst we have this business in contemplation, we also propose, that all considerable claims which may be submitted to the examination of that committee, should be separately reported on to the house, at an early period of the session, in order that, in cases which so materially affect the interests of our fellow-citizens, the requisite attention may be given to each particular claim by both branches of the legislature, which is too frequently omitted when included in the journal of accounts; for it cannot have escaped your observation, that the period of the session, to which the close of the journal is unavoidably postponed, the multiplicity of accounts comprehended therein, and the impatience of the members to return to their respective families, too often prevent that serious consideration which each particular entry may eventually require.

By order,

H. RIDGELY, clk.

Which was read, assented to, and, with the resolution respecting Francis Deakins, the petition of Overton Carr, of Prince-George's county, and the bill, entitled, An act for the benefit of Barbara Hall, was sent to the house of delegates by James Carroll, Esquire.

Mr. Gale, from the house of delegates, delivers to the president a bill, entitled, An act for the preservation of the breed of wild deer, and for other purposes therein mentioned, endorsed; "By the house of delegates, November 23, 1789: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

"By the house of delegates, November 25, 1789: 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. Oldham, from the house of delegates, delivers to the president the following resolutions:

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, NOVEMBER 25, 1789.

Whereas it appears to this general assembly, by the petition of John Pickering, of Dorchester county, father and administrator of his son John Pickering, late a soldier in the second Maryland regiment, that some person, on the 24th day of June, seventeen hundred and eighty-three, personated his said son, and received his depreciation of pay; and it appearing but just and reasonable that the father and administrator should receive the reward due for the services of his son, RESOLVED, That the auditor-general issue one or more certificates to the aforesaid John Pickering for the depreciation of pay due his said son.

By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, NOVEMBER 25, 1789.

RESOLVED, That the auditor-general be and he is hereby authorized and directed to liquidate the depreciation on the pay of Robert Britt, Eleanor Summers, administratrix of James Quay, deceased, John Klein, John Dorrent, John Lanham, Daniel Shally, John Sheridan, Bartholomew Calloon and Dennis Downey, late soldiers of the Maryland line in the continental army, and grant them respectively a certificate for what may appear to him to be justly due them.

RESOLVED, That the auditor-general be and he is hereby authorized and directed to liquidate the depreciation on the pay, and grant certificates to all persons similarly circumstanced for what may appear to him to be justly due them; provided that application be made on or before the first day of June next; and that the auditor give public notice of this indulgence six weeks at least in the Annapolis and Baltimore news-papers.

By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

Which resolutions were severally read and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Dashiell, from the house of delegates, delivers to the president a bill, entitled, An act for the relief of Sarah Hall, of Baltimore county, endorsed; "By the house of delegates, November 23, 1789: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

"By the house of delegates, November 25, 1789: 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.

The resolution in favour of William Hendersides, was read and dissented to.

On motion, ORDERED, That the bill, entitled, An to promote the gradual abolition of slavery, and to prevent the rigorous exportation of negroes and mulattoes from this state, be taken into consideration on Thursday the 3d day of December.

The resolution in favour of William Philips, was read and assented to.

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

T H U R S D A Y, November 26, 1789.

THE senate met. Present as on yesterday. The senate adjourns till to-morrow morning 9 o'clock.

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