

BY THE SENATE, DECEMBER 21, 1789.

GENTLEMEN,

THE season being far advanced, and the present session having been spun out to a considerable length, we earnestly request that you will dispatch the public business that may be now before you, for this house have come to the resolution of adjourning on Wednesday to the first Monday in November next.

By order, H. RIDGELY, clk.

The bill, entitled, An act for the building a court-house in Talbot county for the accommodation of the general court for the eastern shore and the county of Talbot, was read the second time and will pass.

The resolution extending the time for liquidating and paying claims against this state, was read the first and second time by especial order and dissented to.

The resolution respecting the relinquishment of the right of the state to interest on collections prior to the first day of January, 1783, was read the second time and assented to with the proposed amendments.

Amendments proposed. Strike out from the word "return," in the 6th line, to the word "that," inclusive, in the 8th line, and insert "to the treasurers of their respective shores a correct list, on oath, of all such persons from whom they have collected interest, and the amount thereof, and pay the same to the said treasurers before their respective bonds shall be cancelled, and." Strike out from the word "first," in the 15th line of same page, to the end of the clause, and insert "paying the amount of such interest, by them respectively received, before the said bonds shall be delivered."

The bill, entitled, An act for the building a court-house in Talbot county for the accommodation of the general court for the eastern shore and the county of Talbot, the resolution respecting the relinquishment of the right of the state to interest due on collections prior to the first day of January, 1783, the resolution extending the time for liquidating and paying the claims due from this state, and the engrossed bills No. 11, 24 and 33, with the paper bills thereof, were sent to the house of delegates by William Perry, Esquire.

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

T U E S D A Y, December 22, 1789.

THE senate met. Present as on yesterday, except Nicholas Hammond, Esquire, who is indisposed. The proceedings of yesterday were read.

The bill, entitled, An act for the benefit of John Ross, of Baltimore county, was read the second time and will pass.

The resolution respecting Richard Mason, was read the second time and assented to.

The bill, entitled, An act for the benefit of John Ross, of Baltimore county, and the resolution respecting Richard Mason, were sent to the house of delegates by Richard Ridgely, Esquire.

Mr. Ridgely, of Wm. from the house of delegates, delivers to the president a bill, entitled, An act to alter such parts of the constitution and form of government as require certain oaths to be taken by members of the general assembly and electors of the senate, endorsed; "By the house of delegates, December 21, 1789: Read the first and second time by especial order and will pass.

"By order, W. HARWOOD, clk."

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

And a bill, entitled, An act to authorise one justice of the peace to determine in case of small debts, and for other purposes therein mentioned, endorsed; "By the house of delegates, December 21, 1789: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order, W. HARWOOD, clk."

"By the house of delegates, December 21, 1789: Read the second time by especial order and will pass.

"By order, W. HARWOOD, clk."

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

And a bill, entitled, An act for the more effectual punishment of criminals, endorsed; "By the house of delegates, November 28, 1789: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order, W. HARWOOD, clk."

"By the house of delegates, December 21, 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.

And also the bill, entitled, An act to restrain surveyors, to regulate certain proceedings in the land-office, and to compel the attendance of witnesses on surveys under the authority of the chancery, general and county courts, endorsed; "By the house of delegates, December 20, 1789: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order, W. HARWOOD, clk."

"By the house of delegates, December 21, 1789: Read the second time by especial order and will pass.

"By order, W. HARWOOD, clk."

Which was ordered to be engrossed.

The president lays before the senate a letter from his excellency the governor, enclosing a letter from the governor of Virginia, accompanied by an act of assembly and resolution of the senate and representatives