

this state for choosing a president and vice-president of the United States, and for the regulation of the said elections, and also to repeal the act of assembly therein mentioned, thus endorsed; "By the house of delegates, November 12, 1790: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order, W. HARWOOD, clk.

"By the house of delegates, November 24, 1790: 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. Gough, from the house of delegates, delivers to the president the resolution respecting the election of a senator to represent this state in the senate of the United States, thus endorsed; "By the house of delegates, November 20, 1790: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order, W. HARWOOD, clk.

"By the house of delegates, November 25, 1790: Read the second time and assented to.

"By order, W. HARWOOD, clk."

John Henry, Esquire, from the committee, brings in and delivers to the president the following message:

BY THE SENATE, NOVEMBER 25, 1790.

GENTLEMEN,

THE case of the late house of John M^cHenry, and company, and a great variety of other accounts, which remain unsettled, and which will probably be brought before the legislature for their final adjustment, forcibly suggests the propriety of some general regulation upon the subject. The length of time that has elapsed, the irregularity in which the public books have been heretofore kept, the loss of vouchers from accidents, the death of parties, the difficulty attending the examination, and the time that must be necessarily consumed in each particular case, render it improper and impossible for the legislature to make the investigation. We therefore suggest the propriety and expediency of appointing a proper person or persons, with powers competent to the final adjustment of all unsettled accounts now open upon the auditor's books, and other unliquidated claims, either in favour of or against the state, under such limitations, and according to such rules, as may be prescribed by the legislature.

By order, H. RIDGELY, jun. clk.

The bill, entitled, An act for the benefit of Nicholas Merryman, of Baltimore county, was read the second time by especial order and will pass with the proposed amendment.

Amendment proposed. Strike out the word "six" in the 5th line from the bottom of the page, and instead thereof insert the word "four."

The bill, entitled, A supplement to an act, entitled, An act to encourage the destroying of wolves, was read the second time by especial order and will pass; which two last mentioned bills were sent to the house of delegates by Charles Carroll, Esquire.

The bill, entitled, An act for the suppression of fairs throughout this state, was read the second time and will pass.

On motion, Richard Ridgely, Esquire, brings in and delivers to the president a bill, entitled, An act empowering the wardens of the port of Baltimore to levy and collect the duty therein mentioned, which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

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

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, NOVEMBER 25, 1790.

RESOLVED, That the auditor-general be empowered to examine and liquidate the claim of James Hutchings, of Queen-Anne's county, against the confiscated estate of Sir Robert Eden, upon fair and equitable principles, without regard to the opinion in law of the attorney-general heretofore given on this subject; and that, upon the liquidation thereof, the treasurer of the western shore do issue a certificate to the said James Hutchings for the sum appearing to be due; provided the sum so certified shall not exceed the balance of the said estate, as it appears now stated upon the books of the auditor; and provided also, that the granting of such certificate, if it amount to such balance, shall be entered in the said books for a final settlement of the said estate, and of all claims against the same.

By order, W. HARWOOD, clk.

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

Mr. King, from the house of delegates, delivers to the president a bill, entitled, An act for the removal of the seat of justice from Melville's Warehouse to Pig Point, in Caroline county, thus endorsed; "By the house of delegates, November 23, 1790: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order, W. HARWOOD, clk.

"By the house of delegates, November 25, 1790: 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 respecting John Taylor and the estate of Alexander Cowan, deceased, was read the second time and assented to.

The bill, entitled, A supplement to an act for the relief of the poor of Somerset county, was read the second time and will not pass.

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