

of this state's quota of the assumed debt, now remaining in the treasury, or that may be at any time hereafter paid therein on account of any public demand whatever, and to lodge the same in the hands of the trustee of the state, to be by him subscribed for and on account of the state, if congress shall, at any time hereafter, extend the time for completing this state's quota of the assumed debt.

By order, W. HARWOOD, clk.

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

On motion, George Dent, Esquire, brings in and delivers a bill, entitled, An act to alter the times of holding the courts in the counties therein mentioned; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

The clerk of the house of delegates delivers the following resolution:

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, DECEMBER 22, 1791.

Whereas Isaac Redgrave, of Kent county, is now confined in the gaol of the said county under an execution at the suit of the state, as one of the securities of Thomas Boyer, of Kent county, deceased: And whereas differences have taken place between the said Isaac Redgrave and Benjamin Hatcheson, another of the securities of the said Thomas Boyer, who, together with the said Isaac Redgrave, after the death of the said Thomas Boyer, undertook the collection of the public balances, respecting the proportion of the collection to which each is liable, which might be ascertained by a submission of the settlement of their accounts to the decision of two disinterested neighbours; RESOLVED, That the sheriff of Kent county be and he is empowered and ordered to release the said Isaac Redgrave from further confinement, provided that the said Isaac Redgrave has not been taken, or does not stand committed, on any other execution; and provided always, that the said release shall not, in any manner, affect the claim of the state, or prevent them from issuing any new execution hereafter against the said Isaac Redgrave or the said Benjamin Hatcheson.

By order, W. HARWOOD, clk.

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

The clerk of the house of delegates delivers a bill, entitled, A supplement to an act, entitled, An act to freighten and amend the several public roads in the several counties, and for other purposes therein mentioned, thus endorsed; "By the house of delegates, December 20, 1791: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table."

"By order, W. HARWOOD, clk.

"By the house of delegates, December 22, 1791: 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 bill to prevent the abuses in making of bricks, and to ascertain the dimensions thereof, was read the second time and passed.

The bill to compel the attendance of the county clerks at their respective offices, was read the second time and will pass with the proposed amendments.

Amendments proposed. Strike out the words "regularly every day, Sundays excepted," interlined between the fourth and fifth lines, and after the word "kept" in the third line from the bottom, insert "so many days in each week, from nine o'clock in the forenoon till four o'clock in the afternoon, as the county courts of each county shall respectively appoint; which said courts are hereby authorized and directed to make such appointments at their first meeting after the passage of this act, and as often thereafter as occasion shall require." Strike out the proviso at the end of the bill.

Which two last mentioned bills were sent to the house of delegates by the clerk of the senate.

The clerk of the house of delegates delivers a bill, entitled, An act to revive and aid the proceedings of the orphans court of Dorchester county, thus endorsed; "By the house of delegates, December 22, 1791: Read the first and second time by especial order and will pass."

"By order, W. HARWOOD, clk."

Which was read the first and second time by especial order and will pass.

The clerk of the house of delegates delivers the following message:

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, DECEMBER 22, 1791.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOURS,

WE have dissented from your amendments to the resolution respecting the lines of My Lady's manor, and have sent them back for the reconsideration of the senate.

By order, W. HARWOOD, clk.

The clerk of the house of delegates delivers the following resolution:

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, DECEMBER 22, 1791.

Whereas sundry debtors, in virtue of certain resolutions assented to by the general assembly of this state, discharged their bonds and accounts in final settlement certificates which had an interest due thereon previous to the first day of January, seventeen hundred and eighty-five, and the said resolutions authorized a payment of such bonds and accounts in final settlement certificates bearing an interest only from the said first day of January, and it is reasonable that the surplus interest should be allowed to them; therefore RESOLVED, That the treasurer of the western shore be and he is hereby directed to pay the amount of such surplus interest in three per cent. stock belonging to this state, after existing appropriations on such stock shall have been satisfied.

By order, W. HARWOOD, clk.

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

The bill, entitled, An act for regulating the mode of staying execution, and for repealing the acts of assembly therein mentioned, was read the second time and will pass with the proposed amendments.

Amend-