

the United States, and for appointing electors on the part of 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, December 23, 1791: "Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order, W. HARWOOD, clk.

"By the house of delegates, December 24, 1791: Read the second time by especial order and will pass with the proposed amendments.

"By order, W. HARWOOD, clk."

Amendments proposed. In the 4th line of the 1st enacting clause, after the word "counties" insert "including the city of Annapolis." In the 7th line from the top of the 2d page strike out the word "six" and insert "seven," and in the 8th line of the same page strike out the word "five" and insert "four." After the word "six," same line, insert "or seven persons, as the case may be." 9th line, same page, strike out the words "or the five, as the case may be." In the 2d line of the last enacting clause strike out the word "is" and insert "are."

Which amendments were read and agreed to, and the bill ordered to be engrossed.

The clerk of the house of delegates delivers a bill, entitled, An act concerning petitions for freedom, thus endorsed; "By the house of delegates, December 22, 1791: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order, W. HARWOOD, clk.

"By the house of delegates, December 24, 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 extend the time for the late sheriffs and collectors to complete their several collections, was read the second time and will pass with the proposed amendments.

Amendments proposed. In the 1st line strike out from the word "act" to the end of the title of the bill, and insert "for the relief of William M'Laughlin and Philip Graybill." Strike out the first enacting clause. In the 10th line strike out the word "And" in the beginning of the line. In the same line, after the word "represented" insert "to this general assembly." At the end of the bill insert "in cases where the persons chargeable with such amerçiements were insolvent at the time when the said amerçiements were put into the hands of the said William M'Laughlin and Philip Graybill for collection."

The resolution relative to the subscription of certain certificates by the trustee to the assumption loan, was read the second time and assented to; which, with the last mentioned bill, and the bill to empower the justices of Cæcil county to streighten and amend the public roads in said county, and to levy the expences attending the same on the assessable property of the said county, was sent to the house of delegates by the clerk of the senate.

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

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, DECEMBER 24, 1791.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOURS,

WE have rejected your amendments to the bill, entitled, An act for regulating the mode of staying execution, and for repealing the acts of assembly therein mentioned, but will agree to amend the bill as follows, if the senate shall approve of it: Strike out "10th of February" through the bill, and insert "10th of May." After the word "reside" in the 10th line of the 1st page, insert "within two months after the rendition of such judgment." Same page, 6th line from bottom, strike out "nine" and insert "six." Strike out "for" and insert "against," as proposed by the senate. 2d page, 3d line from the bottom, after "obtained" insert "within two months after the rendition of such judgment." After the word "and," same page, same line, insert as proposed by senate. 3d page, 9th line, after "obtained" insert "within two months after the rendition of such judgment." 4th page, 2d line, after "certificate" insert "provided the confession of judgment therein certified shall have been made within two months after the rendition of the original judgment as aforesaid." 4th page, 3d line, after the word "afterwards" strike out as proposed by the senate. Same page, 7th line from bottom, after "rendered" insert as proposed by the senate. After "record," same page, same line, insert as proposed by the senate.

By order, W. HARWOOD, clk.

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

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, DECEMBER 24, 1791.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOURS,

WE have dissented to your amendments to the bill, entitled, An act to extend the time for the late sheriffs and collectors to complete their several collections, for the following reasons: The county tax has been put into the hands of the late sheriffs about August last, and their time for collecting the same will expire on the first of January next, and the county tax will not be collected by the supplement to the act relating to replevins, passed at last session: The collection of the two shillings and six-penny fund-tax has one year more to complete the said collection, and we conceive it just and reasonable that sheriffs ought to have the same indulgence. We therefore return you the bill for re-consideration.

By order, W. HARWOOD, clk.

And also the following resolution:

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, DECEMBER 24, 1791.

Whereas the compensation allowed to the trustee under the act respecting the creditors and debtors of this state, passed at the last session of assembly, after the first year, is inadequate to the services required