

The clerk of the house of delegates delivers the bill, entitled, A Supplement to an act, entitled, An act to establish a market at the market-house in Chester-town, Kent county, and for the regulation of the said market, thus endorsed; "By the house of delegates, November 26, 1793: Read the first and second time by especial order and will pass.

"By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk."

And likewise the bill, entitled, An act to continue an act for the better administration of justice in the several counties of this state, and the supplementary acts thereto, thus endorsed; "By the house of delegates, November 22, 1793: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

"By the house of delegates, November 25, 1793: Read the second time and will pass.

"By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk."

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

The president communicates to the senate a letter from Daniel Bowley, Esquire, resigning his seat in the senate; and thereupon the senate, having previously qualified according to the constitution and form of government, proceeded to the election of a member to fill the vacancy occasioned by the aforesaid resignation. The ballot box was prepared, the ballots deposited therein, and on examination thereof it appeared, that Robert Smith, Esquire, had a majority of votes. Whereupon it is declared in the senate, that Robert Smith, Esquire, is duly elected a member of the senate.

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

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, NOVEMBER 25, 1793.

RESOLVED, That the governor and council be and they are hereby authorized and required to deliver to John Gassaway, captain of the volunteer company of the city of Annapolis, such a number of public arms as he may require, for the use of his company, the said John Gassaway giving such security as the governor and council may think proper, to return the said arms in good order whenever it shall be required.

By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

Together with a bill, entitled, An act for vesting in Thomas Cockey Dye, and his heirs, all the right and interest of the state of Maryland in and to a tract of land called Lancaster, thus endorsed; "By the house of delegates, November 25, 1793: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

"By the house of delegates, November 26, 1793: Read the second time by especial order and will pass.

"By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk."

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

The bill, entitled, A Supplement to an act, entitled, An act to establish a market at the market-house in Chester-town, Kent county, and for the regulation of the said market, was read a second time, and passed.

The bill, entitled, An act to authorize and empower the justices of the peace of Caroline county to levy on the assessable property in said county a sum of money necessary to complete the court-house in said county, and for other purposes, was read a second time, and not passed.

On motion, Charles Goldsborough, Esquire, brings in and delivers a bill, entitled, An act for the relief of William Benson, and for other purposes; which was read a first and second time by especial order, passed, and the following message prepared, read, and agreed to.

BY THE SENATE, NOVEMBER 26, 1793.

GENTLEMEN,

ON an examination of the several acts of assembly heretofore made, for fixing the seat of justice and erecting the public buildings in Caroline county, we find, that quantities of tobacco and sums of money have at different times been assessed and levied on the inhabitants of Caroline county, for the purpose of erecting a court-house and gaol therein, to an amount greatly beyond the sum agreed by the present commissioners to be paid to William Benson for building of the court-house. We also find, that by the act of 1790, chapter eleven, the present commissioners are authorized to receive and recover all such sums of money and quantities of tobacco, and it is not stated to us, nor does it in any manner appear, that they have been wholly expended. Under these circumstances, although we concur in the propriety of generously saving an inexperienced, and as we are assured, honest young man from being ruined by one unfortunate contract with the public, yet we think it would be an oppression of the people of Caroline county to impose on them the payment of a further sum of money unless absolutely necessary, much less do we think it just to subject them to the payment of such indefinite sum as shall be estimated by some three workmen.

We have therefore negatived the bill from your house, entitled, An act to authorize and empower the justices of the peace of Caroline county to levy on the assessable property in said county a sum of money necessary to complete the court-house in said county, and for other purposes therein mentioned, and we have past, and send you instead thereof, a bill, entitled, An act for the relief of William Benson, and for other purposes, which we hope will meet your approbation and concurrence, as being calculated to afford every reasonable relief to the petitioner, and at the same time to guard against any unnecessary imposition of taxes upon the inhabitants of Caroline.

By order,

W. PERRY, jun. clk.

The senate adjourns till to-morrow morning 10 o'clock.

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