

of Havre-de-Grace, and to improve the navigation of the river Susquehanna, and for other purposes, with the amendments thereto, the resolution in favour of Edward Johnson, with the amendment thereto, the resolution in favour of John Thomas and Thomas Tillard; agents for the purchasers of Anne-Arundel manor, and the resolution respecting the public records in the several counties of this state, were sent to the house of delegates by the clerk.

The resolution respecting the Patuxent associators, was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

Charles Carroll, of Carrollton, Esquire, from the joint committee of both houses appointed to receive excuses from the absent members, brings in and delivers to the president the following report:

THE joint committee of both houses, appointed under the act to compel the attendance of the members of the general assembly, report, that they have had the cases of the several absentees under their consideration, and that they have received excuses which have appeared to them sufficient to exonerate from the fines imposed by the said act, except in the cases of James Lloyd, fined for four days absence, William M. Robertson, fined for six days absence, Nicholas D. M'Comas, fined for one day's absence, Thomas Bowie, fined for one day's absence.

CHARLES CARROLL, of CARROLLTON, Chairman
of the joint committee.

Which was read the first and second time and concurred with.

The clerk of the house of delegates delivers to the clerk of the senate a bill, entitled, An act for the relief of Eleanor Davidson, and the children of John Davidson, thus endorsed; "By the house of delegates, December 16, 1795: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

"By the house of delegates, December 19, 1795: 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.

On motion, ORDERED, That the resolution respecting the Patuxent associators, be read the second time on Tuesday next.

The clerk of the house of delegates delivers to the clerk of the senate the following bill and resolution: A bill, entitled, An act to revive and aid the proceedings of the orphans court of Harford county, thus endorsed; "By the house of delegates, December 19, 1795: Read the first and second time by especial order and will pass.

"By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk."

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, DECEMBER 19, 1795.

RESOLVED, That the fines incurred by James Lloyd, William M. Robertson, Nicholas D. M'Comas, and Thomas Bowie, as absentees, under the act of November session, seventeen hundred and ninety-four, entitled, An act to compel the attendance of the members of the general assembly, be and the same are hereby remitted to them respectively.

By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

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

The bill, entitled, An act respecting a tract of land lying within this state claimed by Thomas Digges, Esquire, of the kingdom of Great-Britain, was read the second time and will pass.

On motion, the following message was prepared, read and agreed to, and sent to the house of delegates by the clerk.

BY THE SENATE, DECEMBER 19, 1795.

GENTLEMEN,

AS three of our members are prevented by indisposition from attending the senate, and we have been under the necessity of giving leave of absence to so many others that we shall probably, after this day, be left with a bare senate, we are anxious to close the session as soon as possible, and hope the business may be finished in time to put an end to the session on Tuesday next.

By order,

H. WARFIELD, clk.

The message from the house of delegates respecting the bill, entitled, An act to incorporate an insurance company in Baltimore-town, was read the second time, and on motion, the question was put, That the senate reconsider the said bill? The yeas and nays being required, appeared as follow:

A F F I R M A T I V E.

The honourable William Perry, Esquire, president, the honourable John Eager Howard, Richard T. Lowndes, John Campbell, Robert Smith and Richard Sprigg, junior, Esquires. 6.

N E G A T I V E.

The honourable Charles Carroll, of Carrollton, Charles Goldsborough, William Cooke and Matthew Tilghman, Esquires. 4.

So it was determined in the affirmative.

Which said bill was accordingly reconsidered, and on motion, the question was put, That the following clause be inserted as an amendment to said bill? "And be it enacted, That if at any time the funds of the corporation should not be competent to pay and satisfy the just demands of the assured, that nothing herein contained shall be construed to discharge the stockholders from being liable for their respective proportions of said losses according to the number of shares they may hold therein, but no stockholder shall be liable for more than his own proportion of losses as aforesaid, or to answer for the failure or deficiency of others; and if a judgment shall or may at any time be rendered against the said corporation in a suit upon a policy of insurance by them signed, and no property can be found whereon an execution may be laid to satisfy the said judgment, then and in such case