

RESOLVED, That the governor and council be authorized and requested to cause such of the public arms and accoutrements in the armouries at Annapolis and Easton as may be unfit for use without previous repairs, to be sold for the benefit of the state, and to take all such measures as may be necessary for accomplishing that object, and for bringing the amount of such sales into the treasury.

RESOLVED, That the governor and council be authorized and requested to take the most speedy and effectual measures for calling in the public arms, tents and accoutrements, which were drawn out of the armoury at Frederick-town for the late western expedition,

RESOLVED, That the governor and council be and they are hereby requested, at the expence of the state, to cause the magazine at Frederick to be repaired for the reception of the public arms, and thereupon to cause the public arms and accoutrements to be placed therein.

By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

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

The resolution respecting the Patuxent associators, agreeable to the order of the day, was read the second time and assented to.

The message from the house of delegates respecting the bill, entitled, A supplement to the act, entitled, An act to establish a bank in the district of Columbia, was read the second time, and, on motion, ORDERED, That the senate reconsider the said bill; which was accordingly reconsidered, and will pass with the proposed amendments.

Amendments proposed. At the end of the preamble add, "and that the said stockholders are desirous of obtaining an act of the legislature to enable such of them as are desirous of paying in the whole of their subscriptions may be authorized to do so, and that those who do not make any further payments shall not incur the forfeiture of their shares, as prescribed by their charter of incorporation." At the end of the bill add, "And whereas it is represented to this general assembly, that it is the declared desire of the said stockholders to obtain the benefit of the provisions of this act, although they have not signified the same in their corporate capacity: And whereas this general assembly cannot consistently pass the same unless with the approbation of the said body corporate, and although a previous application therefor by them hath not been made, yet, from a consideration of the special circumstances of this case, it appears expedient to grant the prayer of the petition of the said president and directors, subject to the conditions hereafter expressed; therefore, Be it enacted, That nothing herein contained shall have any force, validity and operation, nor to take effect, until the consent thereto of the stockholders in the said bank shall be given at a general meeting of the said corporation, and transmitted, under their corporate seal, to the governor and council, to be lodged among their proceedings."

On motion, the following message was prepared, read and agreed to.

BY THE SENATE, DECEMBER 22, 1795.

GENTLEMEN,

WE have reconsidered the bill, entitled, A supplement to the act, entitled, An act to establish a bank in the district of Columbia, and will pass the same with amendments, in addition to the one proposed by your house, which amendments, we hope, will meet with your approbation.

By order,

H. WARFIELD, clk.

The clerk of the house of delegates delivers to the clerk of the senate the following bills and resolution, to wit: A bill, entitled, An act to erect a new bridge over Great Choptank river, in Caroline county, thus endorsed; "By the house of delegates, December 15, 1795: Read the first and second time by especial order and will pass.

"By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk."

A bill, entitled, A further supplement to the act, entitled, An act for the better administration of justice in the several counties of this state, thus endorsed; "By the house of delegates, December 14, 1795: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

"By the house of delegates, December 22, 1795: Read the second time and will pass.

"By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk."

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, DECEMBER 22, 1795.

RESOLVED, That the treasurer of the eastern shore be and he is hereby authorized and directed to pay to Archibald Job, late sheriff of Cecil county, or his securities for the years seventeen hundred and eighty-seven and seventeen hundred and eighty-eight, such sums of money as he or they have paid to the state on account of ordinary licences for the years aforesaid, with what interest he or they have paid thereon, and interest on the same until it be refunded, and the auditor is hereby authorized to liquidate and ascertain the amount of said ordinary licence money for said years.

By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

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

The president communicates to the senate a letter from his excellency the governor, praying that a law may pass, authorising him to sign death warrants, and direct the time of execution, to commute, in his discretion, the sentence of death, or other punishment, to labour or banishment, and to grant a conditional noli prosequi in cases where the same may appear to him adviseable; which was read, and, on motion, ORDERED, That Robert Smith, William Cooke and Richard Sprigg, junior, Esquires, be a committee to prepare and bring in a bill according to the purport of said letter.

The bill, entitled, A supplement to an act, entitled, An act to increase the allowance to jurymen of the general court, and the several county courts of this state, and to repeal part of said act, was read the second time by especial order and will not pass.