

And a bill, entitled, An act to empower the levy court of Harford county to assess and levy a sum of money for the purpose therein mentioned, thus endorsed; "By the house of delegates, December 21, 1796: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

"By the house of delegates, December 27, 1796: Read the second time and will pass.

"By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk."

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

The clerk of the house of delegates delivers to the clerk of the senate the following resolution and bills:

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, DECEMBER 27, 1796.

RESOLVED, That all proceedings against Robert Long, and his securities, for the sum due this state on purchases made by him of the property of the late Principio company, be suspended until the next session of assembly.

By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

A bill, entitled, An act to lay out and open a road from a place commonly called Bean-town to Port-Tobacco, in Charles county, thus endorsed; "By the house of delegates, December 26, 1796: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

"By the house of delegates, December 27, 1796: Read the second time by especial order and will pass.

"By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk."

A bill, entitled, An act authorizing commissioners to survey, mark and bound, certain streets in Beatty and Hawkins addition to George-town, in Montgomery county, and for other purposes therein mentioned, thus endorsed; "By the house of delegates, December 16, 1796: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

"By the house of delegates, December 27, 1796: Read the second time and will pass.

"By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk."

And a bill, entitled, An act to repeal part of the act of assembly therein mentioned, thus endorsed; "By the house of delegates, December 19, 1796: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

"By the house of delegates, December 27, 1796: Read the second time and will pass.

"By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk."

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

The clerk of the house of delegates delivers to the clerk of the senate the following message, and the resolution therein mentioned.

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, DECEMBER 27, 1796.

GENTLEMEN OF THE SENATE,

IN hopes that the circumstances attending the case of John Smith Brookes can be explained to your satisfaction, we must reiterate our request for a reconsideration. We flatter ourselves you will not consider us unnecessarily importunate in this respect, but will be satisfied that the sending back of this resolution arises from a thorough conviction that your dissent, if insisted upon, may involve the petitioner in ruin.

By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

Which was read

The clerk of the house of delegates returns the bill, entitled, An act to explain and amend the thirty-third section of an act, entitled, An act for the more effectual paving the streets of Baltimore-town, in Baltimore county, and for other purposes, thus endorsed; "By the house of delegates, December 9, 1796: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

"By the house of delegates, December 27, 1796: Read the second time and will pass.

"By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk."

Which said bill was ordered to be engrossed.

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

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, DECEMBER 27, 1796.

RESOLVED, That the governor of this state be requested to inform the executive of the commonwealth of Virginia, that the important public business of this session of the general assembly of Maryland has unavoidably induced a delay in acting upon the amendments proposed to be made to the government of the United States by the legislature of that commonwealth, with assurances that they will be taken up at the next session of our assembly, and considered with the respect due to the communications of a sister state, and with all the attention due to subjects of such importance and magnitude.

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 to the clerk of the senate the following resolutions:

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, DECEMBER 27, 1796.

RESOLVED, That the treasurer of the western shore be and he is hereby authorized to pay off and discharge the principal and interest due on all certificates heretofore issued by the state of Maryland, other than those distinguished as fraudulent ones, provided the same are brought into the treasury for payment on or before the first day of July, one thousand seven hundred and ninety-seven.

RESOLVED,