

"By the house of delegates, November 18, 1797: 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 president communicates to the senate the petition of J. Carroll, John Ashton and Robert Molyneux, praying the general assembly of Maryland to enact a law authorising the said petitioners to convey the property therein mentioned, now held by them, to the corporation of the Roman catholic clergymen of this state, and to empower the said corporation to receive donations and bequests in behalf of the college of George-town, for the gratuitous education therein of poor scholars; which was read, and, on motion, ORDERED, That Mr. Carroll, Mr. Dorsey and Mr. Forrest, be a committee to consider and report thereon.

The president communicates to the senate the petition of the committee appointed by the convention of the protestant episcopal church, for an act that will better answer the exigencies of the said church than that formerly granted them; which was read, referred to the consideration of the house of delegates, and sent thither by the clerk.

The senate adjourns until Monday morning 10 o'clock.

M O N D A Y, November 20, 1797.

THE senate met. Present the same members as on Saturday. The honourable John Selby Purnell, Esquire, appeared in the senate, and qualified before Allen Quynn, Esquire, one of the justices of the peace for Anne-Arundel county, agreeably to the constitution and form of government, and laws of this state. The proceedings of Saturday were read.

The clerk of the house of delegates delivers to the clerk of the senate a bill, entitled, An act for opening a road in Worcester county, thus endorsed; "By the house of delegates, November 17, 1797: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

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"By the house of delegates, November 18, 1797: Read the second time by especial order and will pass.

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A bill, entitled, An act to authorise a lottery in Baltimore county to complete the house of public worship therein mentioned, thus endorsed; "By the house of delegates, November 14, 1797: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

"By the house of delegates, November 18, 1797: Read the second time and will pass.

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And a bill, entitled, An act for the relief of Nicholas Sluby, merchant, of the city of Baltimore, thus endorsed; "By the house of delegates, November 17, 1797: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

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Which said bills 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:

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, NOVEMBER 18, 1797.

GENTLEMEN OF THE SENATE,

WE concur with you in sentiment, that a general law on the subject of preventing swine going at large, and confining the raising them to grass enclosures, under certain modifications, is a subject of general importance, and highly worthy the attention of the legislature.

The multiplicity of interesting business which now occupies our attention, may perhaps prevent us from originating a bill on that subject; we shall, however, be ready to act on any bill embracing the objects suggested by your message that may originate in your house.

By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

Which was read, and, on motion, ORDERED, That Mr. Carroll, Mr. Dorsey and Mr. Forrest, be a committee to prepare and bring in a bill for the purpose therein mentioned.

Mr. Carroll, from the committee, delivers to the president a bill, entitled, An act to prevent swine going at large; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

On motion, RESOLVED, That in the opinion of the senate it is the duty of the clerks of the senate to enter in a record book, in a fair hand writing, the proceedings of the senate of the respective sessions during which they are clerks; that the proceedings of the sessions of seventeen hundred and eighty-three to seventeen hundred and eighty-eight, inclusively, when Mr. Joshua Dorsey was clerk of the senate; and the proceedings of the sessions of seventeen hundred and eighty-nine, to seventeen hundred and ninety-two, inclusively, when Mr. Henry Ridgely was clerk, have not been recorded;

Therefore, be it RESOLVED, That Messieurs Joshua Dorsey and Henry Ridgely be informed, by a communication of this resolve, that the senate expect that they will immediately, at their respective costs, cause to be recorded as aforesaid the proceedings of the senate during their respective clerkships above mentioned.

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

T U E S D A Y, November 21, 1797.

THE senate met. Present the same members as on yesterday, except Mr. Chesley, who is indisposed. The proceedings of yesterday were read.