

The following message was prepared, read, agreed to, and, with the resolution therein mentioned, sent to the house of delegates by the clerk.

BY THE SENATE, DECEMBER 9, 1797.

GENTLEMEN,

IN answer to your message which accompanied the resolution respecting the claim of Conrod White-man, the senate have thought it due to themselves to assure you, that all cases which are brought before them are faithfully attended to, and maturely considered. They have therefore adopted, as a general rule, that they will reconsider no subject upon which they have once deliberately acted, unless fresh matter shall be introduced with which they were previously unacquainted. They submit it to the good sense of your house to determine, how far it can comport with the character of the respective branches of the legislature, or with the just dispatch of public business, to be employed in the interchange of messages upon cases which have already received the judgment of either house, upon facts and principles which remain unaltered. The reconsideration of the claim in question could be the less necessary, as it might have been observed by your house, that the matter of it has been the subject of discussions frequently repeated in the legislature. The senate have therefore declined to reconsider the resolution.

By order,

A. VAN-HORN, clk.

The bill, entitled, An act to authorise a lottery to improve the post-road leading through Allegany county, was read the second time, and the question was put, That the said bill do pass? The yeas and nays being required, appeared as follow:

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

Mr. Perry, president, Mr. Carroll, Mr. Dennis, Mr. Campbell, Mr. Grahame, Mr. Ridgely, Mr. Forrest, Mr. Chesley and Mr. M'Mechgn. 9.

N E G A T I V E.

Mr. Hammond, Mr. Purnell and Mr. Dorsey. 3.

So it was determined in the affirmative.

The senate adjourns until Monday morning 10 o'clock.

M O N D A Y, December 11, 1797.

THE senate met. Present the same members as on Saturday. 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 to authorise a lottery for repairing and completing the church and chapel in Shrewsbury parish, and for the sale of the glebe-lands belonging to the same in Kent county, thus endorsed; "By the house of delegates, December 7, 1797: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

"By the house of delegates, December 11, 1797: Read the second time and will pass.

"By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk."

A bill, entitled, An act authorising the justices of the levy court of Somerset county to levy a sum of money on the assessable property of the said county for building a prison in the county, and other purposes therein mentioned, thus endorsed; "By the house of delegates, December 6, 1797: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

"By the house of delegates, December 11, 1797: Read the second time and will pass.

"By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk."

A bill, entitled, An act to alter the mode of collecting the county tax in Cecil county, thus endorsed; "By the house of delegates, December 7, 1797: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

"By the house of delegates, December 11, 1797: Read the second time and will pass.

"By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk."

And also the following resolution:

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, DECEMBER 9, 1797.

RESOLVED, That the state of Maryland become a subscriber to, and stockholder in, the bank of Baltimore, to the amount of sixty-six thousand dollars, or two hundred and twenty shares, and that the treasurer of the western shore make the subscription therefor in behalf of the said state, according to the act of assembly in such case made and provided, on or before the first day of February next; and that the said treasurer, immediately upon making the said subscription, pay to the cashier of the said bank one fourth part of such subscription, amounting to fifty-five shares, and that he pay the residue thereof from time to time, out of any unappropriated money that now is in the treasury, or that may hereafter be received therein, in three equal instalments, amounting each instalment to fifty-five shares; provided, That this resolution shall not in any respect affect any money in the treasury that will be necessary to pay the civil list, or the journal of accounts of this session; provided always, That the treasurer shall at all times retain in the treasury a sum of money at least amounting to ten thousand dollars, after the payment of the first subscription in February next.

By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

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

The bill, entitled, An act to authorise a lottery to improve the post-road leading through Allegany county, was sent to the house of delegates by the clerk.

The bill, entitled, An act supplemental to the act, entitled, An act permitting the proprietors of lots binding on the water at the west end of the basin in Baltimore-town to extend and improve the same, was read the second time and will pass with the proposed amendments.

Amendments