

And that the remaining sum of £. 375, the residue of the said donation, be granted to the trustees of the grammar school at Easton, in Talbot county, and paid annually to them, to be applied in the same manner.

By this arrangement of the fund, and until the college can answer its original designs, the institution itself may be converted into a useful academy, in which the languages, the mathematics, and other valuable branches of learning, may be advantageously taught, and the youths of Kent and the adjoining counties be sufficiently accommodated; and the sum of £. 500, still continued to its visitors, will be found adequate to this purpose. And by the distribution proposed, the whole donation will be still applied to the important objects for which it was intended, and, we think, in a manner which will promote them in a much greater degree than if it remains appropriated to the seminary alone, in which it has been fondly expected by the legislature those objects would be completely attained.

As the senate have not the power to propose amendments to the bill under consideration, the committee recommend that it be negatived, and that the sense of this house, if conformable to that of the committee, be communicated by a suitable message to the house of delegates.

All which is submitted.

By order of the committee,

WILLIAM S. GREEN, Assr. clk.

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

The senate adjourns until 5 o'clock.

P O S T M E R I D I E M.

The senate met.

Mr. Grahame, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of sundry inhabitants of Frederick county, delivers to the president a bill, entitled, An act to open a road from Middle-town to New-town, Trap or Freedom, in Frederick county; which was read the first and second time by especial order and will pass.

The clerk of the house of delegates delivers to the clerk of the senate a bill, entitled, An act to authorize and empower the levy court of Montgomery county to assess and levy annually a sum of money for the support of Femima Thompson, thus endorsed; "By the house of delegates, December 14, 1797: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

"By the house of delegates, December 20, 1797: Read the second time and will pass.

"By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk."

And also the following resolution:

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, DECEMBER 20, 1797.

Whereas it is represented to this general assembly, by the petition of John Threlkeld, that he heretofore purchased of the agent a lot number one hundred and fifty-one, lying and being in Hamburg, in Prince-George's county, as confiscated property, and that he has paid part of the purchase money due for the same, and that it has been since ascertained that the said property was not liable to confiscation, and that the same has been taken up by virtue of an escheat warrant, so that the said John Threlkeld can receive no consideration for the money paid as aforesaid; and the said facts appearing to be true, therefore, RESOLVED, That the treasurer be directed to pay to John Threlkeld, or order, the sum of thirty pounds four shillings and two-pence, it being the amount of the sums, with interest, paid into the treasury by said Threlkeld, as by the agent's account will appear.

By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

Which said bill and resolution 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 a bill, entitled, An act to alter, abolish and repeal, such parts of the second, third, fourteenth and forty-second sections of the constitution and form of government, as relate to the judges, time, place and manner, of holding the several elections therein specified, thus endorsed; "By the house of delegates, December 19, 1797: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

"By the house of delegates, December 20, 1797: Read the second time by especial order and will pass.

"By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk."

Which was read, and, on motion, ORDERED, That the said bill be committed to Mr. Hammond and Mr. Forrest to consider and report thereon.

The clerk of the house of delegates delivers to the clerk of the senate a bill, entitled, A supplement to the act for building a new gaol in the town of Easton, in Talbot county, and to provide for the regulation of the said gaol, thus endorsed; "By the house of delegates, December 15, 1797: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

"By the house of delegates, December 20, 1797: Read the second time and will pass.

"By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk."

Which was read the first and second time by especial order and will pass.

The clerk of the house of delegates delivers to the clerk of the senate a bill, entitled, An act to alter and amend a certain erroneous patent, thus endorsed; "By the house of delegates, December 15, 1797:

Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

"By the house of delegates, December 20, 1797: 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.