

S A T U R D A Y, December 23, 1797.

THE senate met. Present the same members as on yesterday, except Mr. Dennis, who had leave of absence. The proceedings of yesterday were read.

The bill, entitled, An act to incorporate the members of the library company of Baltimore, the bill, entitled, A supplement to the act, entitled, An act for the relief of the poor of Washington county, the resolution authorising a loan to the commissioners of the city of Washington, the resolution in favour of John Threlkeld, the resolution respecting William S. Bond, and others, and the message respecting the said last mentioned resolution, with the form of a resolution mentioned in the said message, were sent to the house of delegates by the clerk.

Mr. Hammond, from the committee to whom the 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, was committed, reported the said bill without amendment.

On motion, the senate then took up the second reading of the said bill, and passed the same.

The president communicates to the senate a petition from sundry citizens of the city of Washington, praying that an act may pass authorising the managers of the canal in the said city to receive loans of money for completing the same; which was read, and, on motion, ORDERED, That the said petition be referred to the consideration of the next general assembly.

On motion, Mr. Forrest delivers to the president a bill, entitled, An act for erecting a bridge over the Eastern Branch, or Anna Costia river; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

The bill, entitled, An act to enable the vestry of Saint-Peter's parish, in Talbot county, to receive a deed of certain lands therein mentioned, was read the second time and will pass.

Mr. Hammond, from the committee to whom the bill, entitled, An act to repeal an act, entitled, An act respecting the slaves of certain French subjects, and for other purposes therein mentioned, was committed, reported the said bill.

On motion, the senate took up the second reading of the said bill, and passed the same.

The bill, entitled, An act to enable the register of Calvert to record certain proceedings in the records of the orphans court of the said county, was read the second time by especial order and will pass with the proposed amendment.

Amendment proposed. In the 6th line of the last page strike out the word "collectors" and insert "sheriffs."

The clerk of the house of delegates returns the bill, entitled, An act to secure the collection of the duties imposed upon marriage licences, thus endorsed; "By the house of delegates, December 18, 1797: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

"By the house of delegates, December 23, 1797: 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 a bill, entitled, An act to make a temporary allowance to the judges of the general court, in addition to their permanent salaries, thus endorsed; "By the house of delegates, December 23, 1797: Read the first and second time by especial order and will pass.

"By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk."

A bill, entitled, An act relating to the records in the clerk's and register of wills offices in Queen-Anne's county, thus endorsed; "By the house of delegates, December 22, 1797: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

"By the house of delegates, December 23, 1797: Read the second time by especial order and will pass.

"By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk."

A bill, entitled, An act to lay a tax on Cæcil county to complete the public buildings of said county, thus endorsed; "By the house of delegates, December 21, 1797: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

"By the house of delegates, December 23, 1797: Read the second time and will pass.

"By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk."

A bill, entitled, A further supplement to the act, entitled, An act to lay out several turnpike roads in Baltimore county, and for other purposes, thus endorsed; "By the house of delegates, December 21, 1797: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

"By the house of delegates, December 23, 1797: Read the second time and will pass.

"By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk."

And a bill, entitled, A supplement to an act passed at November session, one thousand seven hundred and ninety-two, entitled, An act to open a road through part of Montgomery county, and to repeal certain parts therein mentioned, thus endorsed; "By the house of delegates, December 21, 1797: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

"By the house of delegates, December 23, 1797: Read the second time and will pass.

"By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk."

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 messages, with the bills therein mentioned.