

poses therein mentioned, 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, January 3, 1798: 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 returns 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, thus endorsed; "By the house of delegates, January 5, 1798: Read the first and second time by especial order and will pass with the proposed amendments.

"By order, W. HARWOOD, clk."
Amendments proposed. Strike out in the 2d enacting clause, from the beginning thereof to the word "imprisoned," inclusive, in the fourth line from the bottom, and insert "Be it enacted, That the mayor of the city of Baltimore, with any two justices of the peace of Baltimore county, may and shall have power and authority to arrest and imprison." In the third line from the bottom of the first page strike out the words "upon their own view or." In the 4th line of the 2d page strike out the word "corporation" and insert the words "mayor and justices." In the last line of the 2d page strike out the word "corporation" and insert the words "mayor and justices." At the end of the bill add the following sections: "And be it enacted, That in all sales made under this act the said mayor and justices aforesaid shall pay over the sum or sums when received to the proprietor or proprietors of such slave or slaves banished as aforesaid. And be it enacted, That the corporation of the city of Baltimore may and are hereby authorized to furnish to the said mayor and justices whatever monies may be necessary to carry this act into execution."

Which said amendments were read.

The resolution in favour of Robert Waters and William Diamond was read the second time and differed from.

The following message was prepared, read and agreed to.

BY THE SENATE, JANUARY 5, 1798.

GENTLEMEN,

WE have rejected your resolution in favour of Robert Waters and William Diamond, thinking it not proper to waive the benefit of the existing judgment in this case. We herewith transmit the principles of one, which will meet with the assent of the senate if originated by you.

By order,

A. VAN-HORN, clk.

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

SATURDAY, January 6, 1798.

THE senate met. Present the same members as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read.

The bill, entitled, An act for building a new gaol in Baltimore county, the bill, entitled, An act to authorize the building a record-office in Kent county, the resolution in favour of Robert Waters and William Diamond, the message respecting the said resolution, and the form of a resolution mentioned in the said message, were sent to the house of delegates by the clerk.

The amendments to 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, proposed by the house of delegates, were read the second time, agreed to by the senate, and the bill ordered to be engrossed.

The bill, entitled, A further supplementary act to the act, entitled, An act to straighten and amend the post-road from Havre-de-Grace to Baltimore-town, was read the second time and will not pass.

The resolution respecting payments made into the treasury by persons indebted to British subjects was read the second time by especial order and assented to.

On motion, Mr. McMechen delivers to the president a bill, entitled, An act relative to the discovery of confiscated British property; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

The clerk of the house of delegates returns 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, thus endorsed; "By the house of delegates, December 25, 1797: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order, W. HARWOOD, clk.
"By the house of delegates, January 5, 1798: Read the second time and will pass with the proposed amendments.

"By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk."

Amendments proposed. Strike out the word "appointed" in the second line of the enacting clause and insert the word "elected." In the same line of the same clause strike out the word "appointed" and insert the word "elected."

Which amendments were read, agreed to, and the bill ordered to be engrossed.

The clerk of the house of delegates delivers to the clerk of the senate a bill, entitled, An act to regulate the fees of the registers of wills in the several counties of this state, thus endorsed; "By the house of delegates, January 1, 1798: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order, W. HARWOOD, clk.
"By the house of delegates, January 5, 1798: Read the second time and will pass.

"By order, W. HARWOOD, clk."
And a bill, entitled, An act to empower the vestry of Saint-Peter's parish, in Talbot county, to rebuild or to pull down the old church and to build a new one, and for other purposes, thus endorsed, "By the house of delegates, January 4, 1798: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

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