

to determine agreeably to the real merits of each case, we submit a resolution, which, if originated with you, will meet with our concurrence.

By order,

A. VAN-HORN, clk.

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

W E D N E S D A Y, January 2, 1799.

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

The senate then took up the second reading of the resolution authorising William Kilty to revise the laws of Maryland, and the question was put, That the senate do assent to the said resolution? The yeas and nays being required, appeared as follow:

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

Mr. Dennis, Mr. Campbell, Mr. Purnell, Mr. Grahame, Mr. Ridgely, Mr. Forrest, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Chesley Mr. M'Mechen and Mr. Milligan. 10.

N E G A T I V E.

Mr. Perry, president, Mr. Carroll, Mr. Dorsey. 3.

So it was determined in the affirmative.

The bill, entitled, A further supplement to the act, entitled, An act to lay out several turnpike roads in Baltimore county, and for other purposes; was read the second time and will pass.

The 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 Joseph Crown, the message respecting the resolution in favour of Henry Stevenson, and the form of a resolution therein mentioned, the resolution authorising William Kilty to revise the laws of Maryland, and the bill, entitled, A further supplement to the act, entitled, An act to lay out several turnpike roads in Baltimore county, and for other purposes, were sent to the house of delegates by the clerk.

The clerk of the house of delegates delivers to the clerk of the senate the following message, and the bill therein mentioned.

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, JANUARY 2, 1799.

GENTLEMEN OF THE SENATE,

THE infirmities and special circumstances attending the case of Mary Williams, are of a nature, we believe, to entitle her to the relief provided in the bill draughted in her favour, and under this impression, we have been induced to return the bill for your reconsideration, in hopes of your assent to it.

By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

And also the following resolutions:

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, JANUARY 1, 1799.

Whereas it is highly expedient that every constitutional barrier should be opposed to the introduction of foreign influence into our national councils, and that the constitution of the United States should be so amended as to effect and secure, in the best manner, the great objects for which it was designed; therefore **RESOLVED**, That the senators and representatives of this state in the congress of the United States be and they are hereby requested, to use their best endeavours that congress propose to the legislatures of the several states the following amendments to the federal constitution, to wit. That in addition to the other qualifications prescribed by said constitution, no person shall be eligible as a senator or representative in the congress of the United States, except a natural born citizen, or unless he shall have been a resident in the United States at the time of the declaration of independence, or naturalized and admitted a citizen at the time of making this amendment to the constitution: No person shall be eligible as vice-president of the United States, except a natural born citizen, or a citizen of the United States at the time of the adoption of the federal constitution, and that no person shall be eligible to that office who shall not have attained to the age of thirty-five years, and been fourteen years a resident within the United States.

RESOLVED, That no person shall be eligible to any civil office of profit or trust under the constitution of the United States, except a natural born citizen, or unless he shall have been a resident in the United States at the time of the declaration of independence, or naturalized and admitted a citizen at the time of making this amendment to the constitution; provided, that nothing in this amendment shall exclude foreigners from being appointed consuls."

And whereas the mode appointed by the federal constitution for the elections of a president and vice-president of the United States is attended with inconvenience, and it is the opinion of this legislature that the said constitution ought to be so amended, that the electors of the president and vice-president, instead of voting in the manner prescribed by said constitution for two persons, should ballot by name for one person as president, and for another person as vice-president; therefore **RESOLVED**, That the senators and representatives of this state in congress be and they are hereby further requested, to use their best endeavours that congress propose to the legislatures of the several states an amendment to that effect; provided that the other checks and regulations in said constitution, relative to the elections of the president and vice-president, shall not be altered, affected or changed, except so far as may be necessary to carry the proposed amendment into effect.

RESOLVED, That the president of the senate and the speaker of this house be requested forthwith to transmit the foregoing resolves to the senators and representatives of this state in congress; and that the governor and council be and they are hereby requested to communicate the same to the supreme executives