

By THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, JANUARY 15, 1799.

RESOLVED, That the treasurer of the western shore be and he is hereby authorized and directed to pay unto George Campbell, or his order, the sum of seventy pounds current money for his services as a captain of artificers in the late American army in the new third Maryland regiment.

By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

Which said bills and resolution were severally 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 Wilhem and Jan Willink, merchants in Amsterdam, to purchase and hold real property in the town of Havre-de-Grace, in Harford county, thus endorsed; "By the house of delegates, January 8, 1799: "Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

"By the house of delegates, January 14, 1799: Read the second time and will pass with the "proposed amendment.

"By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk."

Amendment proposed. Strike out the words "subject or subjects" in the fourth and fifth lines of the second page, and insert "citizen or citizens."

Which was read.

The senate adjourns until 4 o'clock.

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

The senate met.

The bill, entitled, An act for amending, and reducing into system, the laws and regulations concerning last wills and testaments, the duties of executors, administrators and guardians, and the rights of orphans and other representatives of deceased persons, was read the second time and will pass with the proposed amendments.

Amendments proposed. Strike out from the beginning of the 2d page to the end of the 7th page. Strike out from the beginning of the 2d line of page 8 to the end of the 3d line of page 10. Strike out the word "private" in the 4th line of page 10. After the word "sentenced" in the 8th line of page 10, strike out to the end of the 9th line of same page, and insert "to such punishment as is inflicted by law in cases of grand larceny." Strike out from the beginning of the 13th line of page 11 to the word "an" in the 11th line of page 12. Strike out the word "other" in the 11th line of page 12. Strike out from the beginning of the 13th page to the end of the 3d line of page 14. Strike out from the word "codicil" in the 4th line of page 14 to the word "aforesaid" inclusive in the same line. Strike out the words "to be fixed by a jury" in the 11th line of page 27. Strike out the words "or a certificate under seal of office, stating the substance thereof," in the 1st and 2d lines of page 37. After the word "issue" in the 13th line of the same page insert the words "by the chancery or orphans court." Strike out the word "chancery" in the same line of the same page and insert the words "either of the said courts." After the word "chancellor" in the 2d line of page 38 insert "or the orphans court, as the case may be." Strike out the words "and the elder shall be preferred to the younger" in the first and second lines of page 46. Strike out the words "and the elder shall be preferred to the younger" in the 3d and 4th lines of page 48. Strike out from the beginning of page 57 to the end of the 12th line of the same page. Strike out the words "if necessary" in the 9th line of page 59. In the third line of page 65, after the word "goods" insert the words "or the goods of the deceased." Strike out from the word "fold" in the same line of the same page to the word "and" in the 6th line of the same page. Strike out from the word "discretion" in the first line of page 79 to the end of the 4th line of the same page. Strike out from the beginning of the 4th line of page 90 to the end of page 94. Strike out the words "or collateral relation more remote than a" in the sixth and seventh lines of page 95, and in lieu thereof insert the words "grand-child." Strike out the words "to the education of poor children" in the 5th line of page 99, and in lieu thereof insert the words "saving to the different schools in this state the rights which by existing laws they now respectively possess." Strike out from the word "guardian" in the 5th line of page 101 to the end of the 1st line of page 102. Strike out the words "either with or without the choice of the orphan" in the eighth and ninth lines of page 102. Strike out the word "thirty" in the 16th line of page 103 and insert the words "three hundred." Strike out from the word "guardian" in the last line of the same page to the end thereof. Strike out from the beginning of the 2d line of page 109 to the end of the 3d line of the same page. Strike out from the word "control" in the eleventh line of page 119 to the end of the sixth line of page 120. At the end of the first line of page 126 insert the following clause: "The orphans court shall have full power, authority and jurisdiction, to examine, hear and decree upon, all accounts, claims and demands, existing between wards and their guardians, and between legatees, or persons entitled to any distributable part of an intestate's estate, and executors and administrators; and may enforce obedience to, and execution of, their decrees, in the same ample manner as the court of chancery may; and the court may, upon the application of an infant, or any person on his behalf, suggesting improper conduct in any guardian whatever, either in relation to the care and management of the property or person of any infant, inquire into the same, and at their discretion remove such guardian, and make choice of another, who shall give security, and conduct himself in the manner herein before prescribed, and shall receive the property and custody of the said ward." After the word "thereto" in the ninth line of page 132 insert the words "or so much thereof as is repugnant to the provisions of this act."

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