

48 VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, NOVEMBER SESSION, 1802.

On motion, the question was put, That the senate reconsider the said bill? Determined in the negative. The said bill was sent to the house of delegates by the clerk.

The clerk of the house of delegates delivers a bill, entitled, An act authorising a lottery to raise a sum of money for the purpose of finishing the protestant episcopal church in Elizabeth-town, in Washington county, endorsed; "By the house of delegates, December 31, 1802: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table."

"By order, W. HARWOOD, clk."
"By the house of delegates, January 3, 1803: Read the second time and will pass."

"By order, W. HARWOOD, clk."
A bill, entitled, An act for the removal of nuisances from the precincts and neighbourhood of Baltimore, endorsed; "By the house of delegates, December 31, 1802: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table."

"By order, W. HARWOOD, clk."
"By the house of delegates, January 3, 1803: Read the second time and will pass."

"By order, W. HARWOOD, clk."
A bill, entitled, An act to pay the civil list, and for other purposes, endorsed; "By the house of delegates, January 1, 1803: Read the first and second time by especial order and will pass."

"By order, W. HARWOOD, clk."
And the following resolution:

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, JANUARY 3, 1803.

RESOLVED, That the case of Robert Amos, of Harford county, collector of the fund tax in seventeen hundred and eighty-three and seventeen hundred and eighty-five, be and the same is hereby referred to the auditor of the state for examination and adjustment, who is hereby required to make report thereon to the next session of assembly.

By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

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

Mr. Ringgold, from the committee, delivers to the president the following report and the following bill:

THE committee to whom it was referred to consider and report whether any, and if any, what alterations are necessary to be made in the judiciary system of this state, beg leave to report, that they have had the subject long under consideration, and are of opinion, that the present mode of administering justice in this state is not only attended with great inconvenience, but is frequently grievous and oppressive to the citizens thereof, by reason of having to attend the general courts at a great distance from their homes, to where not only suitors but jurors and witnesses are also obliged to attend, and such inconveniencies, in many instances, almost amount to a denial of justice: And whereas by the declaration of rights of this state, amongst other things it is declared, that the trial of facts where they arise, is one of the greatest securities of the lives, liberties and estates, of the people, and that every person ought to have justice and right freely without sale, fully without any denial, and speedily without delay, and that those salutary provisions may be more fully carried into effect, and bring justice as near as may be to every man's door, your committee therefore beg leave to submit the following bill: A bill, entitled, An act to alter, change and abolish, such parts of the constitution and form of government as relate to the establishing a general court and court of appeals.

Which said report and bill were severally read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

The clerk of the house of delegates delivers a bill, entitled, An act respecting the debts due to this state, and the debtors thereof, and for other purposes, endorsed; "By the house of delegates, December 20, 1802: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table."

"By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

"By the house of delegates, January 3, 1803: 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.

The resolution respecting the balances appearing due on loans heretofore made by the province of Maryland to the counties of Baltimore and Frederick, was read the second time, dissented from, and sent to the house of delegates by the clerk.

The president laid before the senate a letter from Mr. Tyler, resigning his seat in the senate; which was read and accepted by the senate.

The bill, entitled, An act to enable the corporation of the city of Annapolis to lay a tax on property within the said city and the precincts thereof, and to repeal the act of assembly therein mentioned, was read the second time and passed.

The message accompanying the bill, entitled, An act to appoint John Done, John Dennis and George W. Jackson, of Somerset county, trustees for the sale of certain lands lying in Somerset county, the real estate of doctor Ezekiel Haynie, late of Somerset county, deceased, was read the second time, and the question put, That the senate reconsider said bill? Determined in the negative.

The bill, entitled, An act to open and make public a road from Norwood's ferry, on Patapsco river, to intersect the main road leading from Elk-Ridge landing to the falls of Patapsco, was read the second time and passed with the proposed amendments.

Amendments