

The resolution respecting the records of the land-office of the western shore was read the second time by especial order and assented to with the proposed amendment, and sent to the house of delegates by the clerk. Amendment proposed. At the end of the resolution add "provided, that it shall be the duty of the present, and all future registers of the land-office, to keep, in a well bound book or books, a general alphabet of the records in the land-office, from the time of his and their respective appointments during his and their continuance in office."

The resolution respecting the records in the office of the register of wills of Anne-Arundel county was read the second time by especial order, dissented from, and sent to the house of delegates by the clerk.

The resolution requesting the governor of this state to transmit to the governor of Pennsylvania an act, entitled, An act to authorise a lottery to raise a sum of money for the improvement of the navigation of the river Susquehanna, was read the second time by especial order, assented to, and sent to the house of delegates by the clerk.

The amendment proposed by the house of delegates to the resolutions on the amendment proposed by the commonwealth of Massachusetts to the constitution of the United States was read the second time and concurred with.

The resolution in favour of Robert Isabell, of the city of Annapolis, was read the second time by especial order, dissented from, and sent to the house of delegates by the clerk.

The following message was read, agreed to, and sent to the house of delegates by the clerk.

BY THE SENATE, JANUARY 20, 1805.

GENTLEMEN OF THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES,

WE have rejected the resolutions respecting the records in the office of the register of wills of Anne-Arundel county, being convinced, by a personal inspection of the books referred to, that no necessity exists for an undertaking so expensive. But though the records are in the body in a sound and undefaced state, yet something may properly be done for their preservation, by new covering and binding. We therefore beg leave to observe, that resolutions, similar to those subjoined; will meet the ready concurrence of this house, if originated by you.

By order,

T. W. HALL, clk.

RESOLVED, That the governor and council be and they are hereby authorised and requested to direct the register of wills of Anne-Arundel county to procure the new binding, and put in a state of preservation, the following record books of the late prerogative, viz. Liber W. G. from the year 1682 to 1688; Liber W. B. No. 1, from 1723 to 1726; Liber D. D. No. 4, from 1746 to 1748; Liber D. D. No. 1, from 1738 to 1742; Liber D. D. No. 6, from 1749 to 1751; Liber B. T. No. 2, from 1756 to 1760.

RESOLVED, That the governor and council of this state be and they are hereby authorised to draw upon the treasurer of the western shore for the money necessary to defray the expence of the work here directed.

The clerk of the house of delegates delivers the following resolution:

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, JANUARY 20, 1805.

RESOLVED, That the governor and council be and they are hereby authorised and requested to have the repairs to the government-house completed which have been commenced, and that the expence thereof be paid out of the treasury of the western shore, by a draught drawn on the treasurer by them for that purpose.

By order,

J. B. DUCKETT, clk.

Which was read the first and second time by especial order, passed, and sent to the house of delegates by the clerk.

The clerk of the house of delegates delivers the journal of accounts, also a bill, entitled, An act for the payment of the journal of accounts, severally passed by that house January 20, 1805; with the following message:

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, JANUARY 20, 1805.

GENTLEMEN OF THE SENATE,

WE have finished the business of the session. We beg leave to suggest to you the propriety of proceeding to sign and seal the laws immediately.

By order,

J. B. DUCKETT, clk.

Which were severally read the first time and the bill and journal of accounts ordered to lie on the table.

The following message was read, agreed to, and sent to the house of delegates by the clerk.

BY THE SENATE, JANUARY 20, 1805.

GENTLEMEN OF THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES,

NOT having finished the business of the session, we cannot agree to proceed immediately to sign and seal the laws, and therefore propose that both houses shall adjourn until 6 o'clock this evening for that purpose.

By order,

T. W. HALL, clk.

The senate adjourns until 6 o'clock, Post Meridiem.

POST MERIDIEM, 6 o'clock.

The senate met. Present the same members as in the morning.