

The bill, entitled, An act for the payment of the journal of accounts, was read the second time by especial order, and the question put, Shall this bill pass? Determined unanimously in the negative.

The following message was read, agreed to, and with the bill to which it relates, and the journal of accounts sent to the house of delegates by the clerk.

By THE SENATE, JANUARY 20, 1805.

GENTLEMEN OF THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES.

WE have received from your house the bill, entitled, An act for the payment of the journal of accounts, together with the journal of accounts, and, upon examining the same, are of opinion that the additional itinerant charges given indiscriminately to all the members, ought not to be an item in said accounts. We readily agree, and are willing to concur with you in giving such additional itinerant days to those members, who, from the particular state of the weather, are compelled to travel round the head of the bay, instead of the usual route, which must necessarily create an additional expence, at least equal to the allowance granted; but we can discover no good reason why those members who are not subjected to those additional expences, and travel the same route as they usually do, should receive the allowance proposed by you. We are of opinion that it would be improper to swell the journal of accounts, already large, with adding the charges above specified, and therefore cannot pass the journal without it is divested of such charges as in our opinion are improper and unnecessary. We therefore return the journal and bill, and hope that on reconsideration you will modify them in conformity to the above suggestion.

By order,

T. W. HALL, clk.

The clerk of the house of delegates delivers the engrossed bill No. 110, read and assented to by that house January 20, 1805; which was read, assented to, and sent to the house of delegates by the clerk. And also a bill, entitled, An act to increase the fees of the sheriff of Montgomery county, 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 observed with concern that you have rejected the bill, entitled, A supplement to an act, entitled, An act for the regulation of officers fees. This bill provided for an increase of fees in the case of the sheriff of Montgomery county only. We were induced to single out this particular county, because, from the statement we have received, we are induced to believe, that without increasing the fees, as recommended by a number of the inhabitants of that county, the people will have no sheriff, at least for two years. We the more readily yield to this impression, because it is a fact known to the delegates from that county, that heretofore they were three months without a sheriff, and the present officer could not have been induced to accept the office for the last year, had not different officers have engaged to allow him four per cent. commission on the collections, their fees, in addition to what is warranted by law. Under these circumstances we hope you will agree to pass the bill which we now send.

By order,

J. B. DUCKETT, clk.

The clerk of the house of delegates delivers the journal of accounts, and a bill, entitled, An act for the payment of the journal of accounts, severally passed by that house January 20, 1805; which were 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 engrossed bill No. 111, with the paper bill thereto, read and assented to by that house January 20, 1805; which was read, assented to, and sent to the house of delegates by the clerk.

On motion, ORDERED, That Mr. J. Johnson and Mr. Brown wait on the governor, and request his attendance in the senate chamber for the purpose of signing and sealing the engrossed bills.

His excellency the governor attending in the senate, ORDERED, That Mr. Thomas and Mr. Partridge wait on the house of delegates, and inform them that his excellency is attending in the senate chamber for the purpose of signing and sealing the engrossed bills, and request their attendance.

The speaker, attended by the members of the house of delegates, appeared in the senate, and the following engrossed bills were presented by the speaker to his excellency the governor, who signed and sealed the same in the presence of both houses.

No. 1. An ACT to settle and ascertain the salary of the members of the council for the ensuing year.

No. 2. An ACT for the relief of James Gantt, an insolvent debtor, of Prince-George's county.

No. 3. An ACT to authorise and empower the levy court of Baltimore county to assess and levy a sum of money for the purposes therein mentioned.

No. 4. An ACT to lay out and streighten a certain road in Baltimore county.

No. 5. An ACT to authorise the levy court of Saint-Mary's county to assess and levy a sum of money for the support and maintenance of John Tuel.

No. 6. An ACT authorising Jacob Semblly, late sheriff and collector of Washington county, to complete his collection.

No. 7. An ACT to authorise and empower the levy court of Calvert county to assess and levy a sum of money for the purpose therein mentioned.

No. 8. An ACT to lay out and make public a road therein mentioned in Harford county.

No. 9. A Further supplement to an act, entitled, An act relating to public roads in this state, and to repeal the act of 1804 therein mentioned.