

SATURDAY, January 18, 1806.

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

The clerk of the house of delegates delivers the bill, entitled, An act to suspend the operation of the part of the act of assembly therein mentioned, passed by that house January 17, 1806; ordered that the said bill be engrossed; and a bill, entitled, An act to ascertain the mode of completing the title to purchasers of certain confiscated British property, and for other purposes, passed by that house January 17, 1806; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

On motion, ORDERED, That the bill, entitled, An act to restrain the evil practices of certain persons within this state, be referred to a special committee. ORDERED, That Mr. Brown, Mr. Partridge and Mr. Thomas, be the said committee.

The resolution in favour of Jesse Jarrett, and the resolution directing the auditor to report in the case of William Amos, senior, were severally read the second time, assented to, and sent to the house of delegates by the clerk.

The clerk of the house of delegates delivers a bill, entitled, A supplement to an act to establish a bank, and incorporate a company, under the name of The Farmers Bank of Maryland, and for other purposes, passed by that house January 18, 1806; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Brown, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, entitled, An act to restrain the evil practices of certain persons within this state, reports the same with sundry amendments; which was read the second time, passed with the proposed amendments, and sent to the house of delegates by the clerk.

Amendments proposed: 1. After the word "corn" in the 5th line of the 1st page insert "meal." 2. Strike out from the word "pay" in the 8th line of the first page to the end of the bill, and insert "for each and every such offence a sum not less than two hundred dollars nor more than one thousand dollars, one half to the informer, and the other half to the state; and in case such offender or offenders shall be unable to pay the same, shall suffer not less than three nor more than twelve months imprisonment, in the discretion of the court. And be it enacted, That it shall be the duty of every magistrate before whom any information may be lodged, and proof made, of any such practice, to issue his warrant to any constable of the county in which the same shall be committed, commanding him to bring such offender or offenders before him, or any other justice of the peace for said county, who shall recognize him or them in the sum of two thousand dollars, with good and sufficient security, or in case of neglect or refusal, then to commit such offender or offenders to prison, to take his or their trial at the next court having competent jurisdiction. And be it enacted, That it shall be the duty of the several county courts in this state to give this act in charge to the grand juries of their respective counties."

The resolution in favour of David Hopkins was read the second time, and the question put, Will the senate assent thereto? The yeas and nays being required, appeared as follow:

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

Mr. Harwood, president, Mr. Duckett, Mr. Hayward, Mr. J. Johnson, Mr. McCulloch, Mr. Partridge, Mr. Ringgold, Mr. Williams. 8.

N E G A T I V E.

Mr. Brown, Mr. Christie, Mr. Houston, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Whitely. 5.

So it was resolved in the affirmative, and sent to the house of delegates by the clerk.

The bill, entitled, A supplement to the act, entitled, An act for the relief of sundry insolvent debtors, passed at November session, eighteen hundred and three, was read the second time, passed, and sent to the house of delegates by the clerk.

On motion, ORDERED, That the order for the second reading of the bill, entitled, An act to establish a chancery tribunal on the eastern shore of this state, and to alter and abolish all such parts of the constitution and form of government of this state as are repugnant thereto; be postponed until Tuesday next the 21st Inst.

The following resolutions being propounded to the senate were read the first and second time by especial order and assented to.

RESOLVED, That the members of the senate will meet at eleven o'clock to-morrow morning, at the senate chamber, for the purpose of joining in procession at the funeral of Alexander Contee Hanson, Esquire, late chancellor of this state.

RESOLVED, That each member of the senate, and each of the officers thereof, wear a band and scarf during the remainder of the session, in respect to the memory of Alexander Contee Hanson, Esquire, late chancellor of this state.

The senate adjourns until Monday morning 9 o'clock.

SUNDAY, January 20, 1806.

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

On motion, Leave given to bring in a bill, entitled, An act respecting writs of error honds. ORDERED, That Mr. J. Johnson, Mr. Partridge and Mr. Christie, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.