

probability of this necessity happening. We do not think it proper to cast upon the executive the responsibility of calling together the legislature to an extraordinary session, a responsibility most properly attached to ourselves; nor do we think the executive, situated and elected as they are, competent to judge of the feelings, wishes and wants, of the people. We therefore hope the house of delegates will reconsider the message of this house, proposing to them the holding, by special adjournment, a spring session of the general assembly of Maryland.

By order,

T. ROGERS, clk.

The senate adjourns until this evening 5 o'clock.

POST-MERIDIEM 5 o'clock.

THE senate met.

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

By the S E N A T E, January 20, 1808.

Gentlemen of the House of Delegates,

WE have finished the business before us, and are ready to close the session. We therefore hope the governor will be notified immediately that his attendance is requested in the senate chamber to sign and seal the laws.

By order,

T. ROGERS, clk.

The clerk of the house of delegates delivers a bill, entitled, An act for the payment of the journal of accounts, passed by that house January 20, 1808; the journal of accounts, assented to by that house January 20, 1808; and the following resolutions:

By the HOUSE of DELEGATES, January 20, 1808.

RESOLVED, That the treasurer of the eastern shore be and he is hereby authorised, to pay to the order of the governor and council, any sum of money in favour of the said Judge Robins, not exceeding five hundred dollars, out of any unappropriated money in the treasury of the eastern shore.

RESOLVED, That the governor and council be authorised and required to ascertain the sum or sums of money paid by the said Judge Robins in attempting to have the said John Whirlow arrested, and to draw in his favour an order on the treasurer of the eastern shore for the same.

By order,

J. BREWER, clk.

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

The bill, entitled, An act for the payment of the journal of accounts, was read the second time by especial order, passed, and sent to the house of delegates by the clerk.

The resolutions in favour of Judge Robins, were read the second time, assented to, and sent to the house of delegates by the clerk.

The clerk of the house of delegates returns the bill, entitled, An act to prevent for a limited time the sale of lands or tenements, goods or chattels, on writs of execution, and for other purposes therein mentioned, and the following message:

By the HOUSE of DELEGATES, January 20, 1808.

Gentlemen of the Senate,

SEEING the probability of a spring session is now rendered very doubtful, and as we consider, from the particular situation of the country at the present time, it would perhaps be hazarding too much were we to risk another twelve-month before we passed the bill, entitled, An act to prevent for a limited time the sale of lands or tenements, goods or chattels, on writs of execution, and for other purposes therein mentioned, we therefore venture to return to you this bill again, trusting, after a more serious consideration, you will deem it prudent to carry it into a law.

By order,

J. BREWER, clk.

Which was read.

The clerk of the house of delegates returns the engrossed bills from No. 140 to No. 151, assented to by that house January 20, 1808.

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

By the HOUSE of DELEGATES, January 20, 1808.

RESOLVED, That the treasurer of the western shore pay to Louis Gassaway and Henry S. Hall, each, the sum of five dollars, for their attendance as assistant clerks this session.

By order,

J. BREWER, clk.

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

The clerk of the house of delegates delivers the engrossed bills from No. 134 to No. 139, inclusive, from No. 152 to No. 169, also No. 109 and No. 170, assented to by that house January 20, 1808, which were read, assented to, and sent to the house of delegates by the clerk.

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

By the S E N A T E, January 20, 1808.

Gentlemen of the House of Delegates,

WE received your message, proposing to close the session this evening, and we have attended for that purpose when you send us back the bill, entitled, An act to prevent for a limited time the sale of lands or