

On motion by Mr. Johnson, the question was put that the first enacting clause be stricken out for the purpose of inserting the following in lieu thereof:

"Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That a company be incorporated to make a turnpike road, beginning at the place where the Liberty road now intersects the Reister's town turnpike, or at some place between that and the city of Baltimore and running in the straightest and best direction through Liberty town in Frederick county and from thence to Hager's town in Washington county." Resolved in the affirmative.

The bill being read throughout as amended, the question was put shall the said bill pass? Resolved in the affirmative.

On motion by Mr. Stoddert, the order of the day for the second reading of the bill entitled, an act for regulating divorces, was postponed until Monday next.

The bill entitled, an act to authorise the drawing of a lottery to raise a sum of money for the purpose of building a bridge over Britain's bay in Saint Mary's county, was read the second time and passed.

The clerk of the senate delivers the bill entitled, an act for the benefit of James Sewell, of Cecil county, endorsed, "will pass with the proposed amendment. Which amendment was read and dissented from. On motion by Mr. A. D. Mitchell, the said bill was reconsidered and recommitting for amendment. A bill entitled, an act relative to the administration of justice, endorsed, "passed by the senate January 12, 1816," and a bill entitled, an act to authorise the sale of the real estate therein mentioned, endorsed, "passed by the senate January 13, 1816." Which were severally read. A letter from John Brewer, register of the land office for the Western Shore, relative to taxes received in his office from the 5th of December, 1814, to the 8th of December, 1815, covering a receipt from the treasurer of the Western Shore for said taxes. Which was read. Also the bill entitled, an act to pay the civil list and other expenses of civil government for the year eighteen hundred and fifteen, endorsed, "will not pass," accompanied by the following message:

BY THE SENATE, January 13, 1816.

Gentlemen of the House of Delegates,

The senate have received the bill which passed your house appropriating money in the treasury for the payment of the civil list and other expenses of civil government for the year 1815; matters being blended with that bill which in their opinion are not necessary to such application upon the true construction of the constitution, the senate have rejected it upon the ground of its being in their opinion a money bill and that therefore the incorporation of such unnecessary matter is unconstitutional.

They hope upon reconsideration you will expunge such objectionable matter, at the same time the senate wish it to be understood by your house, that they are perfectly willing to pass a law enforcing faithful performance of the duties of the printer to the state.

By order,

THOMAS ROGERS, Clerk

Which was read.

On motion by Mr. Stoddert, the following message was read and agreed to:

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, January 13, 1816.

Gentlemen of the Senate,

We return you a bill entitled, an act to make valid a deed from William K. Clagett, of Baltimore county to Samuel A. Berry, of Charles county, which was sent down to us from your house, endorsed "will not pass." As there are peculiar circumstances in connection with this case, exempting it from that sound legislative principle, which forbid our interference in derogation of the law of the land when it furnishes a remedy, we beg leave to desire a reconsideration of this bill and to hope that it will pass.

By order,

LOUIS GASSAWAY, Clerk

On motion by Mr. Kilgour the following resolutions were read:

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, January 13, 1816.

Resolved by the House of Delegates of Maryland, elected with a view to the present state of public affairs, that the want of firmness, energy and wisdom which characterised the political conduct of the president of the United States in the progress of the late war, was only equalled by the folly, want of foresight and disregard of the plainest rights and interests of the people of this country, which marked its commencement and deserves our severest censure and animadversion, and that the prompt acceptance of a treaty containing a virtual abandonment of all the objects for which the war was professed to be declared, but too plainly shews that the real causes and objects of it had no connection with our national honor and independence.

Resolved, That the blood and treasure exhausted in the late unhappy conflict, whether for conquest or glory have left the people of the United States no remunerating benefit, and that while with becoming patience and submission, we bear the additional burdens of taxation thus imposed upon us by a course of policy alike ruinous and wicked, we entertain the liveliest fear and alarm for the future fate of the country in the continuance in office of those who have betrayed the high trust reposed in them, and who, guided by an ambition selfish and unprincipled, only wait a like occasion to increase the weight of our burden and to renovate all the misery, dangers and sufferings from which we have lately escaped, the providential dethronement of the great tyrant of Europe who so long banished peace, order and happiness from the world.

By order,

LOUIS GASSAWAY, Clerk

On motion by Mr. Davidson, ordered, that the bill entitled, an act to establish a bank and incorporate a company under the title of the Consolidated Bank of Maryland, be made the order of the day for Monday next.

Mr. Forwood delivers a petition from Samuel Frazier, of Harford county, a revolutionary soldier, praying compensation for his services. Which was read and referred to Messrs. Forwood, Bradford and Hall.

Mr. Stonestreet delivers a petition from Charity Dent, of Charles county, widow and administratrix of Henry Dent, praying for a sale of part of the real estate of said Henry Dent. Which was read and referred to Messrs. Stonestreet, Stoddert and Neale.

Mr. Kilgour deliver a petition from Z. Chariah Maccubbin, senr. of Montgomery county, praying a special act of insolvency. Which was read and referred to Messrs. Kilgour, Riggs and Jones.