

WEDNESDAY, December 18, 1816.

The senate met. Present the same members as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read. On motion of Mr. Dorsey, Leave given to bring in a bill, entitled, An act to provide for the printing and distribution of certain acts of the general assembly of Maryland, passed at the November session of eighteen hundred and thirteen. Ordered, that Messrs. Dorsey, Jackson and Magruder, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

Mr. Hughlett presented the petition of Levi Dukes, of Caroline county; which was read and referred to Messrs. Hughlett, Hollyday and Leigh, to consider and report thereon.

On motion of Mr. Winchester, Leave given to bring in a bill, entitled, An act authorising the levy court of Baltimore county to levy a sum of money to complete the general alphabet to the land records of Baltimore county; which was read and referred to Messrs. Winchester, Dorsey and Jackson, to prepare and bring in the same.

On motion of Mr. Gale, the following message was read and agreed to:

BY THE SENATE, December 18, 1816.

Gentlemen of the House of Delegates,

This being the day appointed for the election of a senator to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of the honourable Robert G. Harper, we deem it expedient to inform you that Levin Gale and R. B. Taney, Esquires, are appointed to join the gentlemen named on your part in the counting the ballots, at the time heretofore agreed on.

By order.

R. HARWOOD, Clk.

Mr. Emerson from the committee delivers a bill, entitled, An act for the relief of James P. Heath, of the city of Baltimore. Mr. Taney from the committee delivers a bill, entitled, An act for the recording of certain deeds and other papers; which were severally read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

The senate proceeded to the election of a senator to represent this state in the senate of the United States, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of the honourable Robert G. Harper. The ballot box being prepared, the ballots were deposited therein, sealed up, and delivered to the committee of the senate appointed to meet the committee of the house of delegates, who retired to the conference room, and after some time returned and reported, that Alexander Contee Hanson had forty-six votes, and William H. Winder had thirty-nine votes.

Whereupon it is declared in the senate, that Alexander Contee Hanson, having had a majority of votes of all the attending members of both branches of the legislature, is duly elected senator to represent this state in the senate of the United States.

Mr. Hughlett from the committee reported a bill, entitled, An act to authorise and empower the trustees of Hillsborough school, in Caroline county, in the state of Maryland, to appoint a trustee in the place of Henry Downes, esq. deceased; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

The clerk of the house of delegates delivers the following bills, message, and resolution: A bill, entitled, An act for the relief of Ruth Moore, and her helpless children, in Cæcil county; a bill, entitled, An act to repeal so much of the act, entitled, An act to encourage the destruction of crows in the several counties therein mentioned, as relates to Queen-Anne's county; a bill, entitled, An act to locate and make public a road connecting the road leading from William's Ferry with Market-street in Fredericktown, in Frederick county; a bill, entitled, An act for the benefit of Joseph Haywood, guardian of Levin Layton, minor, of Dorchester county; a bill, entitled, An act authorising the sale of a tract or parcel of land in Dorchester county owned by the children of William M. Robinson, deceased; and a bill, entitled, An act to make public a road in Prince-George's county; which were severally read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

BY THE SENATE, December 18, 1816.

Gentlemen of the House of Delegates,

The senate is prevented by the injunctions of the constitution to amend any bill, making an appropriation of the revenue of the state. The house of delegates is restrained by the same instrument from blending in a money bill any matter or principle not immediately connected with the appropriation. Inasmuch, therefore, as the bill which passed your house, entitled, An act for the appointment of the printer to the state, provides for an expenditure of the public money, and also appoints and prescribes the duties of the printer to the state, the senate have been constrained, by a disposition to preserve the constitutional rights of the two branches unimpaired, to negative the bill. They have originated and passed one appointing a printer, and prescribing his duties, in which they ask the concurrence of your honourable body.

By order,

R. HARWOOD, Clk.

BY THE SENATE, December 18, 1816.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this general assembly of Maryland, that the congress of the United States ought to adopt effective measures for the security of the country watered by the Chesapeake bay, and its tributary streams, against the maritime force of an enemy.

Resolved, That our senators and representatives in the congress of the United States be instructed and requested, to use their exertions to effectuate such legislative acts as may be required for the above object.

Resolved, That his excellency the governor of Maryland be requested to forward to his excellency the governor of Virginia a copy of the preceding resolutions, to be by him submitted to the legislature of Virginia, inviting them to co-operate with this state in obtaining that protection so essential to the honour, the interest, and security of the nation.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be submitted to the congress of the United States.

By order,

R. HARWOOD, Clk.

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, December 18, 1816.

Resolved, That the treasurer of the western shore be and he is hereby directed, to pay to Walter Dyer, a lieutenant in the revolutionary war, or to his order, a sum of money equal to the half pay of a lieutenant, annually, during his life, in quarterly payments, as a further remuneration for his services during the American war.

By order,

L. GASSAWAY, Clk.