

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

a bill, entitled, An act to prevent swine and geese from going at large in the town of Hancock; a bill, entitled, An act to authorise Thomas Pearson, late collector of Caroline county, to complete his collections; a bill, entitled, An act to settle and ascertain the salary of the members of the council for the ensuing year; a bill, entitled, An act to authorise and require the trustees of the poor of Queen-Anne's county to convey the land therein mentioned; a bill, entitled, An act authorising a lottery for raising a sum of money for the purpose therein mentioned, severally passed by that house December 11, 1817; which were severally read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

The bill, entitled, An act for the benefit of Susanna Ireland of the city of Baltimore, was on reconsideration passed, and sent to the house of delegates by the clerk.

On motion of Mr. Winchester, Leave given to bring in a bill, entitled, An act to regulate lotteries in the city of Baltimore. Ordered, That Messrs. Winchester, Winder and Dorsey, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

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

BY THE SENATE, December 12, 1817.

*Gentlemen of the House of Delegates,*

We have received your message relative to the interchange of services by the Reverend gentlemen appointed by the two houses for the performance of divine service, and propose that they alternately perform that service in each house.

By order,

R. HARWOOD, Clk.

On motion of Mr. Dorsey, the resolution relative to the defence of territory bordering on the waters of the Chesapeake bay, was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

The senate adjourns until to-morrow morning 10 o'clock.

### SATURDAY, December 16, 1817.

The senate met. Present the same members as on yesterday, except Mr. Winder. The proceedings of yesterday were read. Mr. Jackson appeared in the senate, qualified, and took his seat.

On motion of Mr. Winchester, Leave given to bring in a bill, entitled, An act relating to insolvent debtors in the city and county of Baltimore. Ordered, That Messrs. Winchester, Maxey and Dorsey be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

Mr. Dorsey from the committee reported a bill, entitled, An act to confirm an act, entitled, An act to alter and change all and every part of the constitution and form of government as relates to the attorney general; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

On motion of Mr. Dorsey, Leave given to bring in a bill, entitled, An act to establish a bank and incorporate a company under the title of The Farmers Bank of Leonard Town. Ordered, That Messrs. Dorsey, Jackson and Cresap, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

Mr. Dorsey reported said bill; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

The clerk of the house of delegates delivers the following bills: a bill, entitled, An act to repeal an act, entitled, An act to encourage the destruction of crows in the several counties therein mentioned, so far as relates to Kent county, passed by that house December 11, 1817; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table; a bill, entitled, An act to authorise Thomas Pearson, late collector of Caroline county, to complete his collections, passed by that house December 11, 1817; which was read the second time and will pass; a bill, entitled, An act to prevent swine and geese from going at large in the town of Hancock, passed by that house December 11, 1817; which was read the second time by special order, passed, and sent to the house of delegates by the clerk; a bill, entitled, An act to confirm an act passed at the December session eighteen hundred and sixteen, entitled, An act to alter, change and repeal, all such parts of the constitution and form of government of this state as relate to the division of Prince-George county into election districts; a bill to authorise Elizabeth A. G. Stephenson to retain in this state a slave a certain negro girl therein mentioned, severally passed by that house December 10, 1817; which were severally read the first time and ordered to lie on the table; a bill, entitled, An act to settle and ascertain the salary of the members of the council for the ensuing year; a bill, entitled, An act authorising and empowering the levy court of Saint Mary's county to assess and levy a sum of money for the support and maintenance of Ann Tippet and Ann Tyser; a bill, entitled, An act to allow further time to the sheriffs of Thomas Thompson, late collector of Dorchester county, to complete their collection, severally passed by that house December 10, 1817; which were severally read the second time, passed, and sent to the house of delegates by the clerk; a bill, entitled, An act to allow William Waller, late sheriff and collector of Somerset county, further time to complete his collection, passed by that house December 10, 1817; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

On motion of Mr. Dorsey, Resolved, That the senate proceed immediately to the election of a member to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of the honourable Joseph E. Muse. The senate having previously qualified agreeably to the constitution and form of government, proceeded to said election, and the ballots being deposited in the ballot box, on examination thereof it appeared that Stephen Purnell was duly elected.

Mr. Dorsey asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Hollyday from Monday next until the first of January next.

Mr. Gale reported a bill, entitled, An act to provide for the conveyance and return of process issued from the courts of one county to the officers of another; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

The senate adjourns until Monday morning 10 o'clock.

### MONDAY, December 15, 1817.

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

On motion of Mr. Winchester, Leave given to bring in a bill, entitled, An act to provide for the opening and extending Pratt-street in the city of Baltimore. Ordered, Messrs. Winchester, Winder and Jackson, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

Mr. Winchester from the committee reported a bill, entitled, An act to authorise Daniel Hollyday to import and bring into this state the negro slave therein mentioned; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

On motion by Mr. Winchester, the resolution relative to the compilation of the laws of this state, was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.