

OF THE SENATE.

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The constitution and form of government, as relate to the oaths to be taken by the members of the Senate and House of Delegates, and all other officers therein mentioned, reported the same, which was read the first time and laid on the table.

The president laid before the senate, a communication from the State's Agent, for the Western Shore, which was read and laid on the table.

The clerk of the House of Delegates returned the resolutions relative to Congressional causes, endorsed, "assented to."

The bill entitled an act, to authorise the Justices of the Orphans' and Levy Courts of Caroline county; to appoint their respective criers, was read a second, and by special order, the third time, passed and returned to the House of Delegates.

The committee to whom was referred a bill entitled an act, to authorise Elizabeth Ann Upper Teackle, of Somerset county, to import a slave into this state; reported that the same ought to pass, it was accordingly read the second, and by special order, the third time, passed and returned to the House of Delegates. Also, that a bill entitled an act, to authorise John Mason, of Worcester county, to import certain slaves into this state, which was read the second and by special order, the third time, passed and returned to the House of Delegates.

The president appointed the following standing committees:

On Ways and Means—Messrs. Chambers, Bowie, Johnson, Brownley and Kent.

On Internal Improvement—Messrs. Winder, Price, Dickinson, Bowie and Claude.

On Pensions and Revolutionary Claims—Messrs. Johnson, Orrell and Miller.

The clerk of the House of Delegates delivered a bill, entitled an additional supplement to the act, entitled a supplement to an act, entitled an act to provide for a new assessment, and to appoint collectors of the tax, in and for the city and county of Baltimore, which was read the first time, and referred to Messrs. Chambers, Dickinson and Orrell.

On motion of Mr. Chambers, leave was granted to bring in a bill entitled a further supplement to an act, entitled an act, directing the manner of suing out attachments in this province, and limiting the extent of them, which was referred to Messrs. Chambers, Johnson and Brownley, to report the same.

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

FRIDAY, December 19, 1823.

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

The resolution relative to the payments of accounts, was read a second, and by special order the third time, assented to, and returned to the house of delegates.

The "bill, entitled, an act authorising and requiring the levy court of Frederick county, to provide a suitable room for holding the orphans' court of said county, and safe keeping of the records and papers, of said court;" was read the second, and by special order the third time; passed, and returned to the house of delegates.

The "bill, entitled, an act authorising the commissioners to lay out a road in Montgomery and Anne Arundle counties;" was read the second time, and referred to Messrs. Claude, Kent, and Quinton.

The "bill, entitled, an act for the benefit of Margaret Tippet, of Saint Mary's county; was read a second time, and referred to Messrs. Claude, Orrell, and Dickinson.

The president received the following communication with other documents from the treasurer of the western shore; which were read and ordered to be printed.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, December 19, 1823.

SIR—In compliance with a resolution of the honorable the senate assented to on the 16th inst., directing on the treasurer of the western shore, to report what proportion of the balance of \$631 22, stated in his report to remain unpaid of the appropriation for half pay to officers and soldiers, existed on the first of December, 1822, with a list of the pensioners to whom payment has not been made, and the amount due to each, and how many instalments remain unpaid to each of said pensioners.

I have the honor to transmit herewith a list of the officers and soldiers on half pay, shewing what periods their pensions have been paid; the term for which they remain unpaid, and the whole amount due to the first of December, 1823, designating the proportion thereof, which was due on the first of December, 1822. I am, sir, with high respect, your obedient servant,

B. HARWOOD, T. W. S. M.

To the honorable the President of the Senate.

The clerk of the house of delegates, delivered the following message:

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, December 18, 1823.

Gentlemen of the Senate.—We have received your message relative to an adjournment, and made thereto.

By order,

JOHN BREWER, Clerk.

Also, a resolution in favor of Elizabeth W. Spalding; which was read the first time, and laid on the table. Also, a bill, entitled, an act to alter the time of holding the county courts in the several counties therein mentioned; which was read the first time and laid on the table. Also, a bill, entitled, an act to authorise Charles G. Robb, of the city of Baltimore, to remove a certain male slave into this state; which was read the first time, and referred to Messrs. Quinton, Kent, and Bowie.

The "bill, entitled, an additional supplement to the act, entitled, a supplement to an act, entitled, an act to provide for a new assessment, and to appoint collectors of the tax in and for the city and county of Baltimore," was read the second, and by special order the third time, and passed with the proposed amendments, and returned to the house of delegates.