

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Mr. Chambers from the committee to whom was referred the bill for the relief of Sophia Pitt, of Dorchester county, reported, that the committee had had the same under consideration, and were of opinion that it ought to pass. The bill was then read a second, and by special order a third time, passed, and returned to the house of delegates.

Mr. Chambers from the committee to whom was referred the bill annulling the marriage of Benjamin Cromwell, and Julia Ann Cromwell, of Baltimore county, reported, that the committee had had the same under consideration, and were of opinion that it ought not to pass. The bill was then read a second time and recommitted, with instructions to the committee so to amend the bill as to authorise a separation of the parties.

Mr. Chambers from the committee to whom was referred the bill for the relief of Ann Isett, of Frederick county, reported, that the committee had had the same under consideration, and were of opinion that it ought to pass with the following amendment viz. In the title of the bill strike out what follows the word "act" and insert "to divorce Ann Isett, and her husband of Frederick county."

Which amendment was read and assented to. The bill was then read a second, and by special order a third time, passed, and returned to the house of delegates.

Mr. Chambers from the same committee to whom was referred the bill for the relief of Ann Williams, of the city of Baltimore, reported, that the committee had had the same under consideration, and were of opinion that it ought to pass with the following amendment:

Amendment proposed. Strike out all that follows the first enacting clause and insert in lieu thereof the following—That James Williams shall, from the passage of this act be, and he is hereby altogether deprived of all and every interest, authority, power and control, in, over and to the person of Ann Williams, his wife, as fully as if she had never been married.

And be it enacted, That the said Ann Williams shall be and she is hereby declared to be, vested with the title to all and every kind of property, real, personal and mixed, now in her possession, in as full and ample a manner as if she were and always had been a feme sole, and she is hereby declared capable to have, hold, take, receive, sue for and recover, by compromise, suit or suits in law or equity, property of any kind whatever, real, personal or mixed, in as full and ample a manner as if she were a feme sole, and to use and enjoy or dispose of the same at her will and pleasure, and may in her own name sue and be sued as if she were a feme sole. And be it enacted, That the said James Williams shall not be liable for any debts to be hereafter contracted by the said Ann Williams.

Which amendment was read and assented to. The bill was then read a second time.

On motion, the question was put. Will the senate receive the following as an amendment to the title of the bill: After the word "act" strike out what follows, and insert "to divorce Ann Williams, and her husband James Williams?" Determined in the affirmative.

The bill was then read a second, and by special order a third time, passed, and returned to the house of delegates.

Mr. Chambers from the committee to whom was referred the bill for the relief of Amelia Hamilton, of Washington county reported, that the committee had had the same under consideration, and were of opinion that it ought to pass with the following amendment:

Amendment proposed—Strike out all that follows the first enacting clause and insert in lieu thereof the following—That George C. Hamilton shall from the passage of this act be and he is hereby altogether deprived of all and every interest, authority, power and control, in, over and to the person of Amelia Hamilton, his wife, as fully as if she had never been married.

And be it enacted, That the said Amelia Hamilton shall be and she is hereby declared to be, vested with the title to all and every kind of property, real, personal and mixed, now in her possession, in as full and ample a manner as if she were and always had been a feme sole, and she is hereby declared capable to have, hold, take, receive, sue for and recover, by compromise, suit or suits in law or equity, property of any kind whatever, real, personal or mixed, in as full and ample a manner as if she were a feme sole, and to use and enjoy or dispose of the same at her will and pleasure, and may in her own name sue and be sued as if she were a feme sole.

And be it enacted, That the said George C. Hamilton shall not be liable for any debts to be hereafter contracted by the said Amelia Hamilton.

Which amendment was read and assented to.

On motion the question was put: Will the senate amend the bill by striking out all that follows the word "act" in the title of the bill, and insert "to divorce Amelia Hamilton and George C. Hamilton, of Washington county." Determined in the affirmative.

The bill was then read a second, and by special order a third time, passed, and returned to the house of delegates.

Mr. Chambers from the committee to whom was referred the bill for the relief of Mary Snowden, of Cecil county, reported, that the committee had had the same under consideration, and were of opinion that it ought to pass with the following amendment:

Amendment proposed—Strike out from the first enacting clause all that follows and insert in lieu thereof the following—That John Snowden shall from the passage of this act, be and he is hereby altogether deprived of all and every interest, authority, power and control, in, over and to the person of Mary Snowden, his wife, as fully as if she had never been married.

And be it enacted, That the said Mary Snowden shall be and she is hereby declared to be, vested with the title to all and every kind of property, real, personal and mixed, now in her possession, in as full and ample a manner as if she were and always had been a feme sole, and she is hereby declared capable to have, hold, take and receive, sue for and recover, by compromise, suit or suits, in law or equity, property of any kind whatever, real, personal or mixed, in as full and ample a manner as if she were a feme sole, and to use and enjoy or dispose of the same at her will and pleasure, and may in her own name sue and be sued as if she were a feme sole.

And be it enacted, That the said John Snowden shall not be liable for any debts to be hereafter contracted by the said Mary Snowden.

Which amendment was read and assented to.

On motion, the question was put, Will the senate amend the bill by striking out all that follows the word "act" in the title of the bill and inserting "to divorce Mary Snowden, and her husband John Snowden, of Cecil county?" Determined in the affirmative.

The bill was then read a second, and by special order a third time, passed, and returned to the house of delegates.

The clerk of the house of delegates delivered the following message; which was read.

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, Feb. 14, 1825.

Gentlemen of the Senate,

Anxious to bring this, perhaps already sufficiently protracted session, to as speedy a close as may be consistent with the public good, and believing that all the necessary business may be transacted by Friday the 25th inst. we propose, with the concurrence of your honourable body to rise on that day.

By order, J BREWER, Clk.

Also a resolution relative to arms; which was read the first time and laid on the table.
Also a bill, entitled: An act to provide a revenue for the support of the government of this state; which was read the first time and referred to Messrs Chambers, Bowie, Miller, Thomas and Kent.
Also a bill, entitled; An act to abolish all such parts of the constitution and form of government as re-