

their appearance in any suit or action in the courts of this state, without special authority.

We dissent from the third amendment, and with an amendment by us proposing to insert the words "plaintiff or plaintiffs" to come in before the word "defendant" wherever it occurs, we assent all the other amendments proposed. The object of our amendments to those proposed by your honourable body, is to make the bill in its operation apply as well to plaintiffs as defendants, the necessity of which we trust will appear obvious when the fact is adverted to, that by the practice of the courts under existing laws, any attorney may enter his appearance for the plaintiff to any suit or action, and thereby be legally competent to release the defendant, receive the plaintiffs money and make any use of it he may think proper without the authority, knowledge or consent of such plaintiff, whereby injury and loss may sometimes happen to those who may be under the necessity of collecting their debts through the medium of the courts of this state.

With these very brief suggestions, we return the bill and amendments as amended in this house to your honourable body, and respectfully request that you will reconsider and assent thereto.

By order,

G. G. Brewer, Clk.

On motion of Mr. Harrison the bill, entitled, An act relating to coroners holding inquests, was taken up for consideration; when

On motion it was ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Dennis, from the committee made an unfavourable report upon the bill, entitled, An act to divorce Elizabeth Rawleigh, from her husband Greenberry L. Rawleigh, of Dorchester county.

The said bill, was then read a second time.

On motion of Mr. Rees, the bill, entitled. An additional supplement to an act, entitled, An act for the relief of the poor of Kent county, passed at November session 1787, chapter 11; was read the second time, by special order, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Heath presented the memorial of John Purviance, and other members of the bar of Baltimore, praying the passage of a supplement to the act for the despatch of business in Baltimore county court; which was read, and referred to Messrs. Heath, Smith and Forrest.

Mr. Heath, asked and obtained leave to bring in a bill, to be entitled, A further supplement to the act, entitled, An act to establish a bank and incorporate the subscribers there-