

The bill to naturalize Thomas Walley, son of Zedekiah Walley, &c. and the bill respecting finance; were read the second time by especial order and passed.

Mr. Beatty, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act to repeal the act, entitled, An act empowering the trustees to rent the poor-house of Frederick county; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

The said bill was read the second time by especial order and passed. Sent to the senate, with the above bills, the bill to authorize the probate of wills in the county where the witnesses reside, and the resolve empowering the governor and council to make extracts of grants, &c. relative to lands on the eastern shore, by Mr. Chew and Mr. Job.

William Hindman, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the bill to invest the United States in Congress assembled with a power to levy, for the use of the United States, certain duties on imported foreign goods, wares and merchandises, as a fund for the payment of the debt contracted by congress during the late war, endorsed; "By the senate, May 30, 1783: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order, J. DORSEY, clk.
"By the senate, May 31, 1783: Read the second time by especial order and will pass.
"By order, J. DORSEY, clk."

Which was ordered to be engrossed.

And also a letter from his excellency the Governor, enclosing a resolution of congress, dated April 23, 1783, respecting the sick and wounded soldiers of the armies of the United States; which were read.

The bill for the relief of Robert Long, was read the second time by especial order and passed.

The bill respecting literary property, was read the second time by especial order and will pass with the proposed amendments.

Amendments proposed. Page 1. Strike out from the word "act" towards the bottom of the page, to the end of that page.

At the end of said bill add the following clause: "This act to commence and be in force from and after the time that similar laws shall be passed respecting literary property in all and every of the United States."

The bill to empower Nicholas Carroll and James Carroll to lease certain lands therein mentioned, was read the second time by especial order and passed.

The bill empowering the guardian mentioned in the paper purporting to be the last will and testament of John Cornthwaite, or any other guardian who may hereafter be appointed to John and Robert Cornthwaite, the infant sons of the said John Cornthwaite, to support, maintain, and educate, the said infants, out of the profits of the said John Cornthwaite's estate, until they arrive to the age of twenty-one years respectively, was read the second time and passed. Sent to the senate, with the above bills, by Mr. Sewell and Mr. Seney.

Benedict E. Hall, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the bill to relieve certain purchasers of confiscated property; the bill to repeal the act, entitled, An act empowering the trustees to rent the poor-house of Frederick county; the bill to naturalize Thomas Walley, son of Zedekiah Walley, &c. and the bill to authorize the probate of wills in the county where the witnesses reside; severally endorsed; "By the senate, May 31, 1783: Read the first and second time by especial order and will pass.

"By order, J. DORSEY, clk.
Which were ordered to be engrossed.

The engrossed bills No. 22 and 23, were read and assented to, and sent to the senate, with the paper bills thereof, by Mr. Seney and Mr. Sewell.

Samuel Hughes, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the bill concerning the stock of the Bank of England belonging to this state, endorsed; "By the senate, May 30, 1783: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order, J. DORSEY, clk.
"By the senate, May 31, 1783: Read the second time with the proposed amendments and will pass.

"By order, J. DORSEY, clk.
Amendments proposed. In the eleventh line after the word "sale," insert "immediately and without delay."

Page 2. Strike out in the thirteenth line from the word "hands" to the word "if" in the fourteenth line. Strike out the words "two and a half" in the eighteenth line, and insert "such commission as the governor and council may agree for, not exceeding four," Strike out the words "his reasonable" in the twentieth line, and insert the word "no."

The house adjourns till 3 o'clock.

P O S T M E R I D I E M.

The house met.

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