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William Hindman, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the following message :

BY THE SENATE, JANUARY 17, 1785.

GENTLEMEN,

COMMISSIONERS appointed by the general assembly reported to the last session, that the post road leading from Baltimore-town to the river Susquehanna was in many places almost impassable, that the distance would be greatly shortened, and many hills avoided, by straightening the same, and encouragement given towards building good bridges over the creeks by private subscription. Public notice has been given of the intended application to the legislature, and no opposition having appeared, we are of opinion that no great damage to individuals can be apprehended, but on the contrary, that great benefit will accrue to the public by straightening and amending the same; and as the road is now much worse than when the commissioners made their report, we are apprehensive that, without some aid from the general assembly, it will soon be impossible for carriages to pass; from these considerations we have returned the bill for straightening and amending the said road, and hope you on reconsideration will give it your assent.

By order,

J. DORSEY, clk.

Which was read.

RESOLVED, That the governor and council be authorized and directed to settle and adjust the accounts between the state and Hugh Young, and in case of difference in sentiment, that they refer the same to the award and arbitration of three gentlemen, to be appointed by the said governor and council and said Young, and that their award be final.

Sent to the senate for their concurrence by Mr. Cella s

The supplement to the act concerning the stock of the bank of England belonging to this state, was read the second time by especial order and passed. Sent to the senate by Mr. Graves.

Mr. Ridgely of William, and Mr. Swingle, have leave of absence.

Mr. Joseph Dashiell brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act for the benefit of Thomas Bacon and James Bacon; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

The house adjourns till to-morrow morning 9 o'clock.

T U E S D A Y, January 18, 1785.

THE house met. Present the same members as on yesterday, except Mr. Taney. The proceedings of yesterday were read. Mr. Cellars is excused for leaving the house without leave of absence on account of his indisposition.

RESOLVED, That the commissioners for the sale of confiscated British property, render distinct and separate accounts of sales of the property of every individual which hath or may be sold by them, charging each sale with every expence attending the same, including their commission, and that the net proceeds thereof be carried to the account current of the state; which account of sales and account current shall be passed by the auditor-general, and approved by the intendant of the revenue, before the said commissioners be entitled to draw their respective commissions.

Sent to the senate for their concurrence by Mr. Waters.

Samuel Hughes, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the resolution respecting John Chever, endorsed; "By the senate, January 17, 1785: Read and assented to.

"By order,

J. DORSEY, clk."

The bill to settle and pay the civil list, endorsed; "By the senate, January 14, 1785: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order,

J. DORSEY, clk:

"By the senate, January 17, 1785: Read the second time and will pass.

"By order,

J. DORSEY, clk."

Which was ordered to be engrossed.

And the following message :

BY THE SENATE, JANUARY 18, 1785.

GENTLEMEN,

WE agree to the following amendments proposed by you to be added to those already sent you from the senate, to the bill to provide a fund for the relief of the widows and children of the clergy of the protestant episcopal church.—In the 6th line of the first page, instead of "ministers of the" say "clergy of the." In the 11th line of the same page, strike out "being" and insert "are," and in the 7th line from the bottom of the same page, strike out "William Hanna." In the 6th line of the 4th page, after the word "clergymen," insert "in the orders and communion." In the 10th line of the same page, after the word "children," add, "and settling them in some useful business or profession."—But the senate do not agree to your propositions to perpetuate the corporation by election, thinking it most proper in every view, that it should be continued by succession of clergymen of the protestant episcopal church; they will be amply sufficient, competent to the purpose, and the most proper persons to entrust with funds to be applied to the support of the widows and children of the deceased clergymen of the same church. We therefore adhere to our amendment upon this point.

By order,

J. DORSEY, clk.

Which was read.

The following message being prepared, was sent to the senate by Mr. Roberts.

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