

182 VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, NOVEMBER, 1785.

Mr. Chase, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act for the erecting light-houses upon Chesapeake bay and Patowmack river; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

The bill for erecting light-houses upon Chesapeake bay and Patowmack river, was read the second time by especial order, and the question put, That the said bill do pass? The yeas and nays being called for by Mr. Ridgely appeared as follow:

A F F I R M A T I V E.

Messieurs	Key,	Gantt,	Bracco,	Waggaman,	Chase,	Faw,
	T. Bond,	Fraizer,	Gale,	Ennalls,	Quynn,	Carey,
	Somerville,	Jones,	John Dashiell,	Ramsley,	Chaille,	J. Bond,
	Carroll,	Turner,	Adams,	W. Bowie,	Joseph Dashiell,	M. Mechen,
	Grahame,	Stone,	Waters,	Digges,	Purnell,	Stret.
	Taney,	Goldborough,				

N E G A T I V E.

Messrs.	B. Worthington,	Ridgely of Wm. Baker,	Miller,	Love,	Funk,
	N. Worthington,	Stevenfon,	Oglevee,	Beatty,	Wheeler,
	Ridgely,				

So it was resolved in the affirmative.

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

T U E S D A Y, March 7, 1786.

THE house met. Present the same members as on yesterday, except Mr. M'Mechen. The proceedings of yesterday were read.

William Perry, 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, particular duties on certain enumerated articles, and five per cent. on all other foreign merchandise, imported into this state, endorsed; "By the senate, March 6, 1786: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order,

"By the senate, March 6, 1786: Read the second time by especial order and will pass and will pass
"By order, J. DORSEY, clk."

Which was ordered to be engrossed.

And the bill ascertaining the mode of granting titles to the purchasers of certain confiscated property, endorsed; "By the senate, January 24, 1786: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table

"By order,

"By the senate, March 7, 1786: Read the second time and will pass with the proposed amendments. J. DORSEY clk."

"By order,

Amendments proposed. Page 1. Strike out the preamble. Strike out from the word "Maryland," in the 8th line, to the end of the clause, and insert "that the purchaser of any land lying within any nation or reserve, and sold by the intendant or commissioners of confiscated property, shall, upon return of a certificate of survey thereof to the land-office for the western shore, and the same being examined and passed, and after the expiration of six months from the said return, and upon payment of the purchase money, to be endorsed on the said certificate, be entitled to a patent for such land, in fee-simple, unless the chancellor upon hearing on any caveat to the same shall otherwise determine, and such certificate and patent shall be recorded among the records of the land-office."

Page 2. In the 3d line, after the word "returned," insert "to the register of the land-office for the western shore, on or before the first day of January in the year seventeen hundred and eighty seven." Strike out the word "be" in the 9th line, and insert "hereby are." Strike out the word "directed" in the same line, and insert "required." Strike out to the words "hereafter to be sold" in the 4th line from the bottom. Strike out the words "in like manner" in the 3d line from the bottom." After the word "to" in the 2d line from the bottom, insert "the land-office aforesaid, and shall be received and examined by." Strike out from the word "general" in the 2d line from the bottom to the end of the 3d page, and also strike out the clause in the margin, and insert "And be it enacted, that any person or persons may enter a caveat to any certificate aforesaid within six months from the time the same is returned, and the chancellor shall hear and determine the same in the same manner as in other cases of caveats entered upon certificates returned to the land-office. And be it enacted that where any sale hath been made by the intendant, or the commissioners of confiscated property, of land heretofore patented, and the patent recorded in the land-office, the purchaser, upon payment of the purchase money, and obtaining a receipt for the same, and upon a certificate of the sale being lodged with the register aforesaid six months, unless the chancellor otherwise determines upon hearing any caveat to the same, to be filed within the time aforesaid, shall be entitled to a deed for the land and premises purchased, conveying such estate therein as was agreed to be sold, which deed, being prepared by the party, shall be signed, sealed and delivered, by the chancellor, on behalf