

And the bill respecting insolvent debtors, endorsed; "By the senate, April 30, 1787: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order,

J. DORSEY, clk.

"By the senate, May 11, 1787: Read the second time and will pass with the proposed amendments.

"By order,

J. DORSEY, clk."

Amendments proposed. In the first line of the preamble, between the words "the" and "confinement," insert the word "long." Insert the word "thought" after the word "is" in the second line of the preamble, and after "reasonable" strike out the words "and just" in the same line. After the word "debtors," in the third line of the preamble, insert the words "under execution." In the first page, and second line of the enacting clause, after the word "debtors," insert "who may be in execution either by commitment of a court, or in actual custody on judicial process against his person." In the fourth page, after the word "incumbrances," in the interlineation of the third line from the bottom, insert "by deed duly recorded, mortgage or judgment, or otherwise, (except only such judgments where the creditor or creditors may prosecute his, her or their claim against the person of the debtor, in which case the lien on property shall be forfeited." Strike out from the word "claims," in the second line from the bottom of the fourth page, to the word "and" in the first line of the fifth page, and insert "according to their priority, as above specified." Strike out from the word "creditors" to the word "such," in the second line of the seventh page. After the word "debtor," in the first line of the same page, insert "after he shall be committed or taken in execution." After the word "reasonable," at the end of the third clause of the seventh page, insert "not exceeding seven and an half per cent." In the last clause of the seventh page, in the fourth line from the bottom, change the word "and" into "or;" and after the word "custody," in the same line, insert "in execution." After the word "sheriff," in the last line but one of the same page, insert "or other officer." In the eighth page strike out the whole enacting clause, beginning with the words "And be it enacted," and ending with the word "act" in the ninth page. After the word "money," in the second line of the tenth page, insert "who may be in execution either by commitment of a court or magistrate, or in actual custody on judicial process against his person."

Which were read.

The engrossed bills from No. 1 to No. 15 inclusive, were read, assented to, and sent to the senate, with the paper bills thereof, by Mr. Joshua Seney.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a bill, entitled, An act to prohibit the going at large of swine and geese in the vicinity of the Head of Chester, in Kent county. ORDERED, That Mr. Wright, Mr. Joshua Seney, Mr. Jackson and Mr. F. Bowie, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

Mr. Wright, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker the said bill; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Perkins brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act to grant to Oliver Evans, for a term of years, the sole and exclusive right of making and selling, within this state, the machines therein described; which was read the first and second time by especial order and passed. Sent to the senate by Mr. Perkins.

A petition from Anne M. Sewel, praying an act may pass to divorce her from her husband, was preferred, read, and the question put, That it be referred to a committee? Determined in the negative.

The question was then put, That the said petition be rejected? Resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. T. Johnson, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker the following report:

THE committee to whom was referred the memorials and petitions of several purchasers of confiscated British property, beg leave to report, that since the report made by your committee, the purchasers of the Nottingham ironworks have laid before us the annexed accounts and estimates; that each of the eight parties have, as they have informed the committee, furnished the works constantly with the labour of three or four negroes of their respective separate property, which has been the only advance, or additional stock furnished, except what has been supplied, or indemnified by the works, and also except Charles Ridgely's one eighth of some bar-iron: From which general view, if the property sold is taken back by the state, it may be collected that the interest will exceed the profits. All which is submitted to the honourable house.

By order,

W. PINKNEY, clk.

Which was read.

The bill to lay out several turnpike roads in Baltimore county, 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. Faw, appeared as follow:

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

Members	Hopewell,	Gantt,	Gale,	R. Bond,	R. Bowie,	Henry,
	Perkins,	Dent,	Stewart,	Matthews,	Digges,	T. Johnson,
	Chafe,	Stone,	Polk,	Bravard,	Paca,	Hollingsworth,
	Taney,	Owings,	Pattison,	F. Bowie,	Jackson,	M ^c Mechen. 27.
	Fitzhugh,	Gibson,	Steele,			

N E G A T I V E.

Members	Abell,	N. Worthington,	Ridgely,	Purnell,	Wheeler,	Cromwell,
	Miller,	B. Worthington,	Roberts,	Faw,	Loockerman,	Burgess,
	J. Johnson,	M ^c Pherson,	Adams,	Mantz,	Cellars,	Oneale,
	Harwood,	Cockey,	Shaw,	Norris,	Funk,	Holmes. 24.

So it was resolved in the affirmative.

The house adjourns till 3 o'clock.