

John Hall, Esquire, from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the bill for the relief of George Jacob Schly, endorsed; "By the senate, December 8, 1787: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order, J. DORSEY, clk.

"By the senate, December 10, 1787: Read the second time and will not pass.

"By order, J. DORSEY, clk."

A letter from his excellency the governor of the 10th instant, enclosing journals of congress, and a letter from the secretary, pointing out the necessity of this state being represented in congress; a petition from Jubb Fowler, of the city of Annapolis, messenger and doorkeeper to the governor and council, praying an additional allowance; and a petition and address from the religious society called Quakers, from their yearly meeting in Baltimore, respecting the emancipation of slaves; severally endorsed; "By the senate, December 10, 1787: Read and referred to the consideration of the house of delegates.

"By order, J. DORSEY, clk."

Which were read.

Mr. Griffith, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act for the relief of the securities of John Hayman Nicholls, collector of the tax for Montgomery county; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

On motion, ORDERED, That Mr. Joshua Seney and Mr. B. Worthington be added to the committee on the petition of the trustees for building a church in the city of Annapolis.

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

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of John Fitch, beg leave to report, that on inquiry they are not satisfied that the said John Fitch was the first person who entertained the idea of propelling vessels by the force acquired from steam, but are rather of opinion that James Rumsey first entertained the same idea; and they are informed, that he has been endeavouring to reduce the same to actual experiment and practice for about two years past; and therefore they do not recommend the prayer of the said petitioner. All which is submitted to the honourable house.

By order, W. PINKNEY, clk.

Which was read.

William Hemsley, Esquire, from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the following message and resolution:

BY THE SENATE, DECEMBER 10, 1787.

GENTLEMEN,

AS you concur with us on the expediency of adjourning on Saturday next, we hope the resolution herewith sent will meet your approbation.

By order, J. DORSEY, clk.

BY THE SENATE, DECEMBER 10, 1787.

RESOLVED, That no business of a private nature be received after to-morrow.

By order, J. DORSEY, clk.

Which was read the first and second time, assented to, and sent to the senate by Mr. Taylor.

The bill for the relief of the poor in Montgomery and Harford counties, was read the second time, passed, and sent to the senate by Mr. Burgess.

The report on the petition of Samuel Norwood, was read the second time, and the question put, That the house concur therewith? The yeas and nays being called for by Mr. Oneale, appeared as follow:

		A F F I R M A T I V E.					
Messieurs	Key,	Cockey,	Bravard,	F. Bowie,	Johnson,	Loockerman,	
	Fitzhugh,	Ridgely,	Bond,	Quynn,	Faw,	Chafe,	
	Parnham,	Stewart,	Matthews,	Purnell,	Scott,	M'Meichen,	
	Gough,	Steele,	S. Miller,	Henry,	Norris,	Griffith. 24.	
		N E G A T I V E.					
Messieurs	Thomas,	N. Worthington,	Tilghman,	Pattison,	Jackson,	Cellars,	
	R. Miller,	Dent,	Hayward,	Lecompte,	Brown,	Burgess,	
	Nicholls,	M'Pherson,	Adams,	John Seney,	Walker,	Oneale,	
	Read,	Roberts,	Shaw,	Joshua Seney,	Funk,	Holmes. 24.	

The house being equally divided, the question was determined in the negative by the honourable the speaker.

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

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, DECEMBER 10, 1787.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOURS,

THIS house is ready to go into a joint ballot for the exclusion of one member of congress from the present nomination, the honourable William Hindman having served as a delegate in congress for this state three years, and therefore ineligible as a delegate for the ensuing year; and have appointed Mr. Nicholls and Mr. Thomas to join such members of your house as your honours may appoint to examine the ballot-boxes. To-morrow we shall be ready to go into the appointment of delegates for the ensuing year.

By order, W. HARWOOD, clk.

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

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of William Stewart, of Somerset county, beg leave to report, that they have taken the same into consideration, and find the facts therein stated