

RESOLVED, That the above resolutions be immediately published for six weeks in the two Baltimore news-papers, and the Annapolis Gazette, and for the same number of weeks in every year next immediately preceding the day on which the general assembly shall meet.
 By order, J. DORSEY, clk.

Which were read.
 The house took into consideration the order of the day, and after some time spent therein, adjourned till 5 o'clock.

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

The house met.
 Richard Ridgely, Esquire, from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the resolutions in favour of Benjamin Laming and John Sterett and Co. endorsed; "By the senate, December 20, 1788:
 "Read and assented to."
 J. DORSEY, clk.

"By order,
 The bill to repeal an act, entitled, An act to alter the place for holding elections for delegates to the general assembly in Baltimore county, endorsed; "By the senate, December 13, 1788: Read the
 "first time and ordered to lie on the table."
 J. DORSEY, clk.

"By order,
 "By the senate, December 20, 1788: Read the second time and will pass.
 "By order,
 J. DORSEY, clk."

Ordered to be engrossed.
 And the bill for enlarging the time for collection of officers fees by execution, endorsed; "By the
 "senate, December 18, 1788: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table."
 J. DORSEY, clk.

"By order,
 "By the senate, December 20, 1788: Read the second time and will pass with the proposed amend-
 "ment."
 J. DORSEY, clk."

"By order,
 Amendment proposed. In the sixth line from the top, after the word "collection," insert,
 "within the time limited by law."

Which was read the first and second time, agreed to, and the bill ordered to be engrossed.
 The supplement to the act, entitled, An act to enable the high court of appeals to continue certain causes therein mentioned, was read the first and second time by especial order, passed, and sent to the senate by Mr. Harwood.

On the second reading the bill to empower the governor and council to compound with the discoverers of British property, and for other purposes, the question was put, That the following be received as an amendment to the said bill? "Whereas sundry of the collectors of the tax have been executed, and others are liable to execution, for the respective balances due from them to the state, and it appearing to this general assembly to be repugnant to the dictates of humanity and sound policy to proceed with the utmost rigour of the law against the said collectors and their securities, whereby they, with their families, will be involved in the greatest distress, and may be reduced to the most abject state of poverty, without producing any substantial advantage to the state: And whereas it is reasonable, and accords with good government, that a power should be lodged somewhere in the recesses of the general assembly, to afford relief in such cases of extreme hardship as cannot admit of delay, and would merit legislative interposition; Be it enacted, that the governor and the council be and they are hereby authorized to suspend or countermand executions already issued against the collectors of the tax, and to prevent executions being sued out against them on such terms and for such time, before the next meeting of the general assembly, as may, in their discretion and judgment, prevent the evils above recited, and most conduce to promote the real interest and advantage of the state." The yeas and nays being called for by Mr. Seney, appeared as follow:

A F F I R M A T I V E.					
Forrest,	Parnham,	Kerr,	Bravard,	Houston,	Edmondson,
Thomas,	Dent,	Chamberlaine,	Craufurd,	Potts,	Coulter,
Comegys,	Chapman,	Waggaman,	W. Bowie,	Faw,	Sprigg,
Mercer,	W. M'Pherson,	Shaw,	Digges,	J. M'Pherson,	Taylor,
Chale,	Ridgely,	Lecompte,	E. Bowie,	Norris,	Lynn,
Gantt,	Ridgely, of Wm.	Bond,	Quynn,	Pinkney,	Crabb,
Frazier,	Coeky,	S. Miller,	Duvall,	Jarrett,	Dorsey. 46.
Fitzhugh,	J. Tilghman, jun.	Matthews,	Hollyday,		
N E G A T I V E.					
Mc. Chilton,	Reed,	Polk,	J. Tilghman,	Mason,	O'Neale. 11.
W. Tilghman,	Sherwood,	Seney,	Dennis,	Banckes,	

On progression in reading the said bill, the question was put, That the following clause be received as an amendment to the said bill? "And be it enacted, That the governor and council shall be authorized and required, in all cases where execution shall issue to compel payment from any of the debtors of this state, to appoint a person or persons on the part of this state to attend the sale of property which may be taken in execution issued at the instance of the state, and to purchase the same for the use of the state, if a sale cannot be otherwise made so as to secure a reasonable price for the property to be taken." The yeas and nays being called for by Mr. Sprigg, appeared as follow:

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