

The bill respecting the securities of public debtors, endorsed; "By the senate, December 15; 1789: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

H. RIDGELY, clk.

"By the senate, December 24, 1789: Read the second time and will not pass.

H. RIDGELY, clk."

The supplement to an act, entitled, An act to prevent the importation of slaves into this state, endorsed; "By the senate, December 24, 1789: Read the first and second time by especial order and will not pass.

H. RIDGELY, clk."

The engrossed bill No. 40, with the paper bill thereof; which engrossed bill was thus endorsed; "By the senate, December 24, 1789: Read and assented to.

H. RIDGELY, clk."

The resolution appointing a commissioner for building a new prison in Annapolis, endorsed; "By the senate, December 24, 1789: Read the first and second time by especial order and assented to.

H. RIDGELY, clk."

The resolution respecting non-commissioned officers and soldiers, endorsed; "By the senate, December 24, 1789: Read the first and second time by especial order and dissented to.

H. RIDGELY, clk."

The resolution appointing arbitrators to settle an account between Harford and Baltimore counties, endorsed; "By the senate, December 24, 1789: Read the first and second time by especial order and assented to with the proposed amendment.

H. RIDGELY, clk."

Amendment proposed. At the end of the resolution insert "provided, that in case a difference should arise between the said arbitrators, that they be empowered to call in an umpire, not an inhabitant of either of the said counties of Baltimore and Harford, to settle such difference."

Which was read the first and second time and agreed to.

The bill to settle and pay the civil list, and other expences of civil government, was read the second time and passed.

On motion, the question was put on the following, viz. Whereas doubts have arisen whether the several county courts of the state are empowered to allow the accounts of sheriffs and others for holding elections under the act of the last session of assembly, entitled, An act directing the time, places and manner, of holding elections for representatives of this state in the congress of the United States, and for appointing electors on the part of this state for choosing a president and vice-president of the United States, and for the regulation of the said elections; RESOLVED, That the several county courts respectively in this state be and they are hereby authorized and required to allow such accounts for such amount as they shall think reasonable and just, and that the sums so allowed shall be assessed and levied with, and in the same manner as, their next county assessment. Determined in the negative.

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

F R I D A Y, December 25, 1789.

THE house met. Present the same members as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read.

The engrossed bill No. 40, was read and assented to, the paper bill thereof so endorsed, and with the bill to settle and pay the civil list, and the resolution respecting John White, state agent, sent to the senate by Mr. J. Tilghman, junior.

On motion, the question was put, That the committee of claims adjust the several sheriffs accounts, and others, holding the election for electors of the president and vice-president of the United States, and the choice of representatives in the congress of the United States, and allow what may appear to them to be reasonable and right on the journal of accounts? The yeas and nays being called for by Mr. Seney, appeared as follow:

		A F F I R M A T I V E.					
Messrs.	W. Tilghman,	Kerr,	O'Brien,	Houston,	Banckes,	Sterett,	16.
	M. Tilghman,	Lecompte,	Purnell,	Dorsey,	Mason,	Norris.	
	J. Tilghman, jun.	Seney,	Dennis,	Love,			
		N E G A T I V E.					
Messieurs	Carroll,	Harwood,	Somervell,	Ridgely, of Wm.	Matthews,	Shryock,	30.
	Hopewell,	B. Worthington,	Craig,	Owings,	R. Bowie,	Ott,	
	Moore,	Fraizer,	Parnham,	Lowe,	W. Bowie,	Burgess,	
	N. Worthington,	Gantt,	M'Pheron,	Winder,	Quynn,	Crabb,	
	J. Worthington,	Freeland,	Ridgely,	Bond,	Faw,	Oneale.	

So it was determined in the negative.

On motion, the question was put, That the house reconsider the resolution rejected yesterday respecting an allowance to sheriffs, and others, for holding elections for representatives of this state in the congress of the United States, and for appointing electors on the part of this state for choosing a president and vice-president of the United States? The yeas and nays being called for by Mr. Seney, appeared as follow:

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