

The clerk of the senate delivers the resolution in favour of John Pickering endorsed; "By the senate, November 17, 1791: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

By order, H. RIDGELY, clk.

By the senate, December 24, 1791: Read the second time and dissented to.

By order, H. RIDGELY, clk."

And the following message:

BY THE SENATE, DECEMBER 24, 1791.

GENTLEMEN,

WE have dissented to your resolution of the 17th of November, in favour of John Pickering the father, because we conceive, if he can make it appear to the governor and council, that he is justly entitled to the depreciation of pay said to be due his son, he will obtain a certificate for the same under the resolutions which have passed this present session.

By order, H. RIDGELY, clk.

Whereas the compensation allowed to the trustee under the act respecting the creditors and debtors of this state, passed at the last session of assembly, after the first year, is inadequate to the services required of him; RESOLVED, That the said trustee shall be entitled to receive, as a compensation for his services for the ensuing year, the sum of two hundred pounds, instead of the salary in the said act mentioned; but provided the time of subscribing to the loan proposed by congress should be extended during their present session, then the said trustee shall be entitled to receive the sum of two hundred and fifty pounds for his services.

Sent to the senate, with the following message, and the bill to extend the time for the late sheriffs and collectors to complete their several collections, by the clerk.

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, DECEMBER 24, 1791.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOURS,

WE have dissented to your amendments to the bill, entitled, An act to extend the time for the late sheriffs and collectors to complete their several collections, for the following reasons: The county tax has been put into the hands of the late sheriffs about August last, and their time for collecting the same will expire on the first of January next, and the county tax will not be collected by the supplement to the act relating to replevins, passed at last session: The collectors of the two shillings and six-penny fund-tax has one year more to complete the said collection, and we conceive it just and reasonable that sheriffs ought to have the same indulgence. We therefore return you the bill for re-consideration.

By order, W. HARWOOD, clk.

The bill to repeal and alter certain parts of an act for the better administration of justice in the several counties of this state, was read the second time, and the question put, That the said bill do pass? The yeas and nays being called for by Mr. Chesley, appeared as follow:

A P P R O P R I A T I V E.

Messrs	Thomas,	N. Worthington,	Cockey,	P. Smith,	Loockerman,	Beall,
	Hopewell,	Chesley,	Miller,	Love,	Ott,	Tomlinson,
	T. Bond,	T. Gantt, jun.	Quynn,	Wilson,	Oneale,	Jacob.
	Mercer,	T. Harwood,	Beatty,	Douglafs,		22.

N E G A T I V E.

Messrs	Scott,	Kerr,	Goldborough,	Oldham,	Dennis,	Pinkney,
	Craik,	Tilghman,	Frazier,	Duvall,	Holland,	M'Mechen,
	M'Pherson,	Waggaman,	Eccleston,	Sency,	J. P. Marshall,	Swearingan,
	Ridgely,	Denwood,	R. Bond,	O'Bryon,	Key,	Turner.
	Sherwood,	Lowes,	Hollingworth,	Barnes,	Prall,	29.

So it was determined in the negative.

The house adjourns till Monday morning 9 o'clock.

M O N D A Y, December 26, 1791.

THE house met. Present the same members as on Saturday, except Mr. S. Smith. The proceedings of Saturday were read.

Mr. Duvall, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker the following bills, viz. A bill, entitled, An act to prohibit members of congress, or persons in office under the United States, from being eligible as members of the legislature or council, or holding offices in this state; a bill, entitled, An act to repeal the twenty-seventh section of the constitution and form of government; a bill, entitled, An act to repeal the forty-fifth section of the constitution and form of government; a bill, entitled, An act prescribing the oath of a judge, and the oath or affirmation of the clerk, of the elections; a bill, entitled, An act allowing citizens, conscientiously scrupulous of taking an oath in any case, to be members of the legislature, or electors of the senate; a bill, entitled, An act respecting negroes and mulattoes; a bill, entitled, An act respecting naturalized foreigners; a bill, entitled, An act to explain the qualification of residence required in the constitution and form of government; a bill, entitled, An act to repeal all the oaths required by the constitution and form of government, with certain exceptions, and to require an oath to preserve and support the constitution of this state; a bill, entitled, An act prohibiting the incorporating any place, or the erecting a new county, with the privileges of delegates, unless they contain a limited number of voters; a bill, entitled, An act respecting the appointment of the register in chancery, and the other officers therein named; a bill, entitled, An act to abolish informations in courts of common law; a bill, entitled, An act re-