

T U E S D A Y, November 27, 1792.

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

The clerk of the senate delivers a bill, entitled, An act to authorise and empower the chief justice, or associate justices, of any county court, to call a court before the time to which the same stands adjourned, endorsed; "By the senate, November 26, 1792: Read the first and second time by especial order and will pass.

"By order, H. RIDGELY, clk."

Which was read the first and second time by especial order, passed, and sent to the senate by the clerk.

The bill for the benefit of Jesse Fookes, of Worcester county, endorsed; "By the senate, November 21, 1792: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order, H. RIDGELY, clk."

"By the senate, November 26, 1792: Read the second time and will pass.

"By order, H. RIDGELY, clk."

Ordered to be engrossed.

The bill to authorise and empower the justices of Anne-Arundel county court to call the said court before the time to which it stands adjourned, endorsed; "By the senate, November 23, 1792: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order, H. RIDGELY, clk."

"By the senate, November 26, 1792: Read the second time and will not pass.

"By order, H. RIDGELY, clk."

And the following message:

BY THE SENATE, NOVEMBER 26, 1792.

GENTLEMEN,

THE members of this house, feeling the impropriety of burthening their constituents with the expence of a long session, when it appears to them that the necessary public business might be discussed in a short one, are anxious that a close should be put to the present session early in the ensuing week.

By order, H. RIDGELY, clk.

Which was read.

Mr. Brooke and Mr. Mackall have leave of absence.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a bill to prevent lotteries in Cecil county in future. ORDERED, That Mr. Ewing, Mr. Ridgely, of Wm. and Mr. Forman, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

A petition from Samuel Hanson M'Pherson, of Charles county, praying to be authorised to complete the collection of the public dues and officers fees by distress and sale, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Campbell, Mr. Crabb and Mr. Oneale, to consider and report thereon.

A petition from Richard Turner, and others, of Calvert county, counter to the petition of Gavin Hamilton Smith, was preferred, read, and referred to the committee on the petition to which it is counter.

A petition from Anne Moore, administratrix of James Moore, of Harford county, praying payment of the amount of a debt against confiscated estates, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Prall, Mr. Ridgely, of Wm. and Mr. Douglass, to consider and report thereon.

Agreeably to the order of the day, the house resolved itself into a committee of the whole, to take into their further consideration the state of Washington college; Mr. Crabb in the chair. After some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Crabb reported, that the committee had, according to order, taken into their consideration the subject matter referred to them, and had agreed to a report thereon; which he read in his place, and afterwards delivered in at the table, where it was again read, and is as follows:

That the committee are of opinion, that the donation of the state has not been expended agreeable to the intention of the law which makes the appropriation, in as much as the visitors and governors of the college have applied part of the funds to the payment of old debts, and finishing the building, which was not in the contemplation of the legislature at the time of the appropriation; and that an expenditure of the said donation might be made, which would contribute much more to the promoting literature in the several counties on the eastern shore.

On the second reading of the said report, the question was put, That the house concur with the first clause in the said report? Resolved in the affirmative.

On progression in reading the said report, the question was put, That the house concur with the last clause in the said report? The yeas and nays being called for by Mr. Denwood, appeared as follow:

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

Messieurs	Sherwood,	Frazier,	Forman,	Hutchings,	Beatty,	O'Donnell,
	Cox,	Eccleston, jun.	Ewing,	Townsend,	Hughlett,	Oneale,
	Gibson,	Goldborough,	O'Bryon,	Purnell,	Driver,	Beall,
	Kerr,	Hollingsworth,	Barnes,	Dennis,	Douglass,	Bayard,
	Jones,	Oldham,	Butcher,	Corbin,	Loockerman,	Tomlinson.
	Denwood,					31.