

F R I D A Y, December 21, 1792.

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

The resolution in favour of the securities of Thomas Williams, the message respecting the insolvent bill, the bill for the relief of insolvent debtors, and the supplement to an act, entitled, An act to restrain the ill practices used by sheriffs in taking goods by fieri facias and selling them by venditioni exponas, were sent to the senate by the clerk.

The bill for the encouragement of manufactories in this state, was referred to the next session of assembly.

Mr. Plowden has leave of absence.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a bill, entitled, A Supplement to an act, entitled, An act for the preservation of the breed of fish. ORDERED, That Mr. Sprigg, Mr. Clark and Mr. Chapman, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

Mr. Sprigg, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, A Supplement to an act, entitled, An act for the preservation of the breed of fish; which was read the first and second time by especial order, passed, and sent to the senate by the clerk.

The amendments to the bill to regulate the militia, were read, and the clauses therewith sent, from No. 1 to No. 9 inclusive, together with the amendments proposed in the 11th, the amendment A in the first 12th, the second amendment in the second 12th, and the amendment in page 15, were rejected, and the residue of the said amendments were agreed to.

On motion, the question was put, That a committee be appointed to prepare a message to the senate on the subject of the bill to regulate the militia? The yeas and nays being called for by Mr. Duvall, appeared as follow :

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

Messieurs	Thomas,	J. Worthington,	Sherwood,	Sprigg,	Beatty,	Driver,
	Tilghman,	Brogden,	Cox,	Quynn,	Dorsey,	Ott,
	J. Ringgold,	Chapman,	Jones,	Duvall,	Sappington,	Swearingen,
	Harwood,	Hawkins,	Dashiell,	Purnell,	Jarrett,	Johnson.
	N. Worthington,					25.

N E G A T I V E.

	T. Ringgold,	Ridgely, of Wm.	Oldham,	O'Bryon,	Amos,	Jacques,
	Mackall,	Denwood,	Forman,	Townsend,	Hughlett,	Crabb,
	Breeland,	Eccleston,	Ewing,	Dennis,	Douglafs,	Oneale,
	Brooke,	Frazier,	Bowie,	Corbin,	Loockerman,	Threlkeld,
	Graham,	Eccleston, jun.	Clark,	Nelson,	M'Meichen,	Wootton,
	M. Pherfon,	Goldsbrough,	Contee,	Prail,	Cromwell,	Tomlinfon.
	Ridgely,	Hollingsworth,				38.

So it was determined in the negative.

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

THE committee to whom was referred the subject matter of the act relating to the estates of deceased persons, beg leave to report, that they have taken the same into consideration, and are of opinion that the said act should be amended by making executors and administrators answerable for the amount of the inventory of estates committed to their charge, and have prepared an act for said purpose. All which is submitted to the honourable house.

By order,

C. WAYMAN, clk.

Which was read the first and second time, concurred with, and leave given to bring in a bill pursuant thereto.

Mr. Dorsey brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act relating to estates of deceased persons; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

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

THE committee to whom was referred the letter from the governor and council, enclosing a letter of Messieurs Nicholas and Jacob Vanstaphorst to the governor, beg leave to report, that it appears by the agreement entered into between the commissioners on the part of the state, and the authorized agent of the Messieurs Vanstaphorst, that the sum of £. 61,525 stocks of the United States, which was to be paid in full discharge of the loan made to this state, was not to be transferred until the 270 bonds of Matthew Ridley were cancelled, or delivered up to be cancelled. It now appears, instead of the above number of bonds being signed by Mr. Ridley, that only one bond for the whole amount proposed to be borrowed was signed by him, which was not known or understood at the time of making the agreement. It further appears that that bond is regularly cancelled, and the state will be fully acquitted and discharged on making the transfer of stock according to the stipulation; therefore, the committee recommend the following resolution :

RESOLVED, That the trustee of the state transfer to Nicholas and Jacob Vanstaphorst the sum of £. 61,525 deferred stock, or three per cent. stock, at the option of their agent, in full discharge of the loan made to this state the 31st of August, 1782, on a notarial certificate being produced to him, that the original bond of the said Mr. Ridley, agent of this state, has been cancelled.

The committee further report, that the commissioners of the state have stated an error of £. 150 in the payment of the arrears of interest to Messieurs Vanstaphorst, for which they propose to grant an order to the agent of Messieurs Vanstaphorst, on his application; but the said commissioners being absent from the seat of government, it is but just and reasonable that the said sum be paid to the agent of the Messieurs Vanstaphorst without further delay; the committee therefore recommend the following resolution :

RESOLVED,