

The clerk of the senate delivers the supplement to an act, entitled, An act for the preservation of the breed of fish, endorsed; "By the senate, December 21, 1792: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order,

H. RIDGELY, clk.

"By the senate, December 21, 1792: Read the second time by especial order and passed with the proposed amendment.

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H. RIDGELY, clk."

Amendment proposed. In the 2d page, at the end of the proviso, insert, "And provided, that if such slave shall act as aforesaid by the order of his owner or employer, he shall not be subject to whipping as aforesaid, but the owner or employer giving the order shall be subject to the said penalty of ten pounds, to be recovered as aforesaid."

Which was read the first and second time, agreed to; and the bill ordered to be engrossed.

The amendments to the bill to lay out and open roads from Denton, the seat of justice in Caroline county, to different parts of the said county, and the same, when opened and laid out, to be the public roads of said county, were read the second time and rejected.

Mr. Speaker lays before the house a letter from Christopher Richmond and John Wright, agents for the state of Maryland to settle with the United States, with sundry enclosures; which were read, and referred to Mr. Duvall, Mr. Ridgely, of Wm. and Mr. J. Worthington, to consider and report thereon.

The engrossed bills No. 43, 46, 49, 53, 66, 68, 69, 70 and 72, were severally read and assented to, and sent to the senate, with the paper bills thereof, by the clerk.

The following message being prepared, was read, agreed to, and sent to the senate, with the bill respecting the militia, by the clerk.

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, DECEMBER 22, 1792.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOURS,

THIS house are under the fullest conviction that your amendments to our bill for regulating the militia by no means embrace the objects contemplated by the law of congress.

We are so fully impressed with the necessity of passing a militia law before we adjourn, that we will agree to enact so much of the bill as provides that the militia shall be enrolled and officered, and leave the training of the militia to the consideration of the next general assembly.

By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

The engrossed bills No. 67, 71 and 73, were severally read and assented to, and sent to the senate with the paper bills thereof, by the clerk.

Mr. Sprigg brings in the following resolutions:

RESOLVED, That it is the opinion of this general assembly, that we are the immediate constituents of the senators representing this state in the senate of the United States, and that, as such, we have the undoubted right of instructing them whenever we shall think necessary.

RESOLVED, That we do disapprove of the conduct of one of our senators aforesaid, in acting in direct opposition to our instructions given at November session, seventeen hundred and ninety-one.

RESOLVED, That it is the opinion of this general assembly, that the opening the doors of the senate of the United States, when sitting in their legislative capacity, will greatly promote that confidence in the measures of the general government so essential to the prosperity of the union.

RESOLVED, That it is the opinion of this general assembly, that every exertion ought to be made by our senators aforesaid, at the present session, to obtain this desirable object.

RESOLVED, That the honourable the president of the senate and speaker of the house of delegates be and they are hereby requested to transmit a copy of these resolves to the honourable John Henry and Richard Potts.

Which were read.

On the second reading the said resolutions, the question was put, That the house assent to the second resolution? The yeas and nays being called for by Mr. T. Ringgold, appeared as follow:

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

Messieurs	Thomas,	M'Pherson,	Ewing,	Dennis,	Hughlett,	Crabb,
	T. Ringgold,	Ridgely,	Bowie,	Corbin,	Driver,	Oneale,
	Tilghman,	Ridgely, of Wm.	Clark,	Beatty,	Douglass,	Wootton,
	Brogden,	Denwood,	Sprigg,	Sappington,	M'Mechen,	Bayard,
	Mackall,	Eccleston, jun.	Contee,	Nelson,	Ott,	Johnson,
	Freeland,	Hollingworth,	Quynn,	Jarrett,	Swearingen,	Tomlinson,
	Brooke,	Oldham,	Barnes,	Prall,	Cromwell,	Threlkeld. 46.
	Grahame,	Forman,	Hutchings,	Amos,		

N E G A T I V E.

Messieurs	Plater,	J. Worthington,	Kerr,	Eccleston,	O'Bryon,	Dorsey,
	J. Ringgold,	Chapman,	Jones,	Frazier,	Townsend,	Loockerman,
	Harwood,	Sherwood,	Dashiell,	Duvall,	Purnell,	Jacques. 20.
	N. Worthington,	Cox,				

So it was resolved in the affirmative.

The resolutions being read throughout, the question was put, That the house assent thereto? Resolved in the affirmative.

On the second reading the bill to appoint an agent for the year 1793, by especial order, the question was put, That the said agent be allowed for all payments made to either of the treasurers on bonds for confiscated property, one half per cent? The yeas and nays being called for by Mr. Purnell, appeared as follow:

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