

fectual manner to the ease and convenience of the people of the eastern shore, if the late period of the session did not render it impracticable. It is under these impressions, and from an expectation that a system better digested and more effectually accommodated to the convenience of the eastern shore, may be brought forward at the next session, that we have returned the bill with the negative before given to it.

By order,

N. PINKNEY, clk.

Which was read.

The resolution in favour of Rachel Cowden, endorsed; "By the senate, December 19, 1794: Upon reconsideration assented to with the proposed amendment.

"By order,

N. PINKNEY, clk."

The following message:

BY THE SENATE, DECEMBER 19, 1794.

GENTLEMEN,

IN consequence of your message of the 18th instant, we have reconsidered the resolution in favour of Rachel Cowden, and have amended it so as to meet your ideas on the subject, and now send it down for your concurrence,

By order,

N. PINKNEY, clk.

Amendment proposed. After the word "interest" at the end of the resolution insert the following: "Provided the said Rachel Cowden place, or cause to be placed, in the hands of the treasurer, prior to his giving up the said Joseph Cowden's bond, a bond, in the penalty of two hundred pounds current money, with security, to be approved by the said treasurer, conditioned to secure the state from any claims which may hereafter be made by the heirs of said Joseph Cowden for the property for which the said Joseph Cowden's bond was given."

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

And a further supplement to an act, entitled, An act for enlarging the power of the high court of chancery, endorsed; "By the senate, November 25, 1794: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order,

N. PINKNEY, clk.

"By the senate, December 19, 1794: Read the second time and will pass.

"By order,

N. PINKNEY, clk."

Which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Ridgely, of William, has leave of absence.

On motion by Mr. Winchester, seconded by Mr. Martin, Leave given to bring in a bill respecting the proceedings of certain commissioners for extending several streets in Baltimore-town. ORDERED, That Mr. M'Kim, Mr. Winchester and Mr. Martin, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

The clerk of the senate delivers the bill to empower John Hanson, of John, to dispose of the real estate belonging to the children of Walter Hanson, of John, late of Charles county, deceased, endorsed; "By the senate, December 19, 1794: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order,

N. PINKNEY, clk.

"By the senate, December 20, 1794: Read the second time by especial order and will not pass.

"By order,

N. PINKNEY, clk."

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

THE committee to whom was referred the memorial of John Kilty, clerk of the council, report, that they have investigated the subject of the said memorial, and find, on actual inspection of certain documents lodged in the council, that in the course of the last year the memorialist has actually performed many and very important services to the state, which did not appertain to his duty as clerk of the council, more especially in the circumstance of translating and answering letters of material import written in the French language, and for which service your committee think the executive must have employed and paid some other person, master of the French language, had not the memorialist been well qualified to discharge that extraneous duty. Your committee are also fully impressed with an opinion, that the duties imposed on the clerk of the council are laborious, perplexing, and of infinite importance to the state; and that the salary at present annexed to the office is very inadequate to the services required from the officer who fills it. Your committee also find, that in the course of the last eventful year, your memorialist was obliged, from the variety and multiplicity of the business before the executive department, to have an assistant clerk; and that even with his assistance much of the business of the office still remains unfinished. Your committee therefore submit to the justice, liberality, and good sense of the house, the propriety and reasonableness of making some increase of the memorialist's salary. All which is submitted to the house.

By order,

J. W. KING, clk.

Which was read.

Mr. Jamison brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker the bill for the establishment and regulation of the levy courts in the several counties of this state, as amended; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

The bill to incorporate the Baltimore equitable society for insuring houses from fire, was read the second time, and passed. Sent to the senate by the clerk.

The report on the memorial of John Kilty, was read the second time, and the question put, That the house concur therewith? The yeas and nays being required by three members, appeared as follows:

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