

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, November, 1797.

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The bill being read throughout, the question was put, That the said bill do pass? Determined in the negative.

The following resolutions being propounded to the house, were read:

RESOLVED, That the state of Maryland become a subscriber to, and stockholder in, the bank of Baltimore, to the amount of sixty-six thousand dollars, or two hundred and twenty shares; and that the treasurer make the subscription in behalf of the said state, according to the forms adopted in the said office, on or before the first day of February next.

RESOLVED, That the treasurer, immediately on making said subscription, pay to the cashier of said bank thirty-three thousand dollars, in part of the said two hundred and twenty shares, and the further sum of thirty-three thousand dollars on or before the first day of August, seventeen hundred and ninety-eight, in full for the said two hundred and twenty shares to be subscribed as aforesaid.

RESOLVED, That the treasurer make the said payments out of any unappropriated money which now is or may hereafter come into his hands, and take such evidence of the state's subscription of said shares as is usually given to stockholders in said bank.

ORDERED, That the said resolutions have a second reading on Tuesday the fifth day of December next.

The clerk of the senate delivers a bill, entitled, An act to open a road from Pratt-street, extended through the land of James Carroll, till it intersects the road leading to Elk-Ridge-Landing, and to shut up and stop all those parts of the old Frederick and Garrison roads therein mentioned, endorsed; "By the senate, November 23, 1797: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order,

A. VAN-HORN, clk.

"By the senate, November 24, 1797: Read the second time by especial order and will pass.

"By order,

A. VAN-HORN, clk."

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

Mr. Nicholson, from the committee, brings in and delivers to the speaker a bill, entitled, An act to allow further time for collecting the balances due Thomas O'Bryon, late sheriff and collector of Queen-Anne's county; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. T. Buchanan, from the committee, brings in and delivers to the speaker the following report:

THE committee to whom was referred the letter from the governor of Virginia, respecting the boundary lines between this state and the commonwealth of Virginia, have taken the same into their consideration, and are of opinion that immediate measures ought to be taken to effect an amicable settlement and adjustment of those lines; they therefore recommend the following resolutions:

RESOLVED, That Philip B. Key, Charles Carroll, of Carrollton, and Jeremiah T. Chase, the commissioners appointed on the part of this state for the purpose of settling and adjusting the western and southern limits of this state, and the boundaries between this state and Virginia, be and they are hereby requested to prosecute the said business without delay, and to report their proceedings thereon to the next session of assembly.

RESOLVED, That this general assembly guarantee to the said commissioners a liberal compensation for their services, and any expence they may be at in prosecuting the business aforesaid.

By order,

J. HARWOOD, clk.

Which was read.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a bill to regulate the mode of collecting county taxes. ORDERED, That Mr. Goldsborough, Mr. Key, Mr. Nicholson, Mr. Jones and Mr. Brome, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a bill, entitled, A supplement to an act for the relief of the poor in Talbot county. ORDERED, That Mr. Kerr, Mr. Harwood and Mr. Sherwood, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

Mr. Montgomery, from the committee, brings in and delivers to the speaker a bill, entitled, An act for the benefit of Nicholas Sluby, of Baltimore; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Nicholson, from the committee, brings in and delivers to the speaker the following report: THE committee to whom was referred the petition of Rezin Davis, late sheriff of Washington county, report, that they have taken the same into consideration, and are of opinion that the prayer thereof is reasonable, and ought to be granted.

By order,

J. F. HARRIS, clk.

Which was read.

Mr. Key delivers to the speaker the following report:

THE commissioners appointed, in virtue of a resolution of the last session of assembly, to examine the situation of the country between the city of Washington and the city of Annapolis, to ascertain and determine the direction and position of the nearest, most convenient and practicable road, that can be laid off between the said places, report, that in conformity to the said resolution they have viewed the country between the said cities, and are of opinion that the most practicable and eligible route is agreeable to the road designated by the yellow shaded line on the plot hereunto annexed; that the nearest road at present existing is thirty-six miles; that the one proposed by the commissioners is only thirty miles, over ground better adapted for a road, and which may, at an inconsiderable expence, be made safe, pleasant and useful, and attended with little or no inconvenience to the proprietors of the lands over which the same will pass.

JAMES WILLIAMS,

EDWARD HALL,

CHA. WALLACE,

THOS. DUCKETT.

WM. HARWOOD,

Which was read, and referred to Mr. Key, Mr. Duckett, Mr. Goldsborough, Mr. J. C. Thomas and Mr. Chapman, to consider and report thereon.

The house adjourns till to-morrow morning 10 o'clock.

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