

to this state, or in such method compounded of those, or other precedents, as the said William Kilty shall deem best adapted for the purpose; that the said edition be completed within the ensuing year, to be laid before this general assembly at their next annual meeting; and that such compensation be allowed to the said William Kilty as the work, and the manner in which it may be performed, shall appear to merit.

RESOLVED, That Frederick Green, printer to the state, be directed to print and procure to be bound, two hundred copies of the said edition of the laws, under the direction of the said William Kilty; and that the governor and council be empowered, by order on the treasury, to advance to the printer, out of any unappropriated money, such sum or sums as may be necessary for the purpose.

By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

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

THE committee to whom were referred the petitions of insolvent debtors further report, that Jacob Fowle, of Talbot county, included in the act of last session, was deprived of the benefit of said act by his creditors refusing their assent, but it appearing to your committee that his creditors would now give their assent to the measure, they are of opinion the relief prayed by him should be afforded him. Your committee further report, that Robert S. Smithey, of Montgomery county, has given notice of his intention to apply to the legislature for the benefit of an act of insolvency, and that there is a petition counter to that of Elkin Solomon, of Baltimore county.

By order,

J. F. HARRIS, clk.

Which was read.

The bill for the speedy recovery of monies levied or received by sheriffs and collectors, was read the second time, amended, and the question put, That the said bill do pass? The yeas and nays being required, appeared as follow:

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

Messieurs	Godman,	Martin,	Wallace,	Nicholson,	Montgomery,	J. Buchanan,
	Bourne,	Kerr,	Matthews,	J. Brown,	Young,	P. Magruder,
	Chapman,	Hyland,	Quynn,	C. Frazier,	Smith,	R. Magruder,
	Parnham,	Craig,	Key,	Wilson,	C. Beall,	Clarke.
	T. Buchanan,	Hollingsworth,				26.

N E G A T I V E.

Messieurs	Leigh,	Taney,	Worthington,	Jones,	Corbin,	Bond,
	Greenwell,	Brome,	E. Brown,	Miller,	Bruce,	Kershner,
	Angier,	Thomas, Chas.	Sherwood,	Bowie,	Jarrett,	Riley,
	Comegys,	Metryman,	Harwood,	Duckett,	McComas,	Tomlinson.
	Hall,					25.

So it was resolved in the affirmative.

Amendments proposed. In the second line of the second page strike out the word "ten" and insert the word "twenty." In the 9th line of the 3d page strike out the word "ten" and insert the word "twenty."

Mr. Duckett has leave of absence till Tuesday morning.

The house adjourns till Monday morning 9 o'clock.

M O N D A Y, December 25, 1797.

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

The resolution authorizing William Kilty to revise the acts of assembly of the state of Maryland, the resolution respecting Robert Amos, and the bill for the speedy recovery of monies levied or received by sheriffs and collectors, were sent to the senate by the clerk.

The report on the petition of Cornelius West was read the second time, and the resolution therein contained rejected.

The clerk of the senate delivers the bill to enable the register of Calvert county to record certain proceedings in the records of the orphans court of the said county, endorsed; "By the senate, December 22, 1797: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order,

A. VAN-HORN, clk.

"By the senate, December 23, 1797: Read the second time by especial order and will pass with the proposed amendment.

"By order,

A. VAN-HORN, clk."

Amendment proposed. In the 6th line of the last page strike out the word "collectors" and insert "sheriffs."

Which was read.

The bill to alter, abolish and repeal, such parts of the second, third, fourteenth and forty-second sections of the constitution and form of government; as relate to the judges, time, place and manner, of holding the several elections therein specified, endorsed; "By the senate, December 20, 1797: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order,

A. VAN-HORN, clk.

"By the senate, December 23, 1797: Read the second time and will pass.

"By order,

A. VAN-HORN, clk."

Ordered to be engrossed.

A bill, entitled, An act to enable the vestry of Saint-Peter's parish, in Talbot county, to receive a lease of certain lands therein mentioned, endorsed; "By the senate, December 4, 1797: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order,

A. VAN-HORN, clk.

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