

# VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, November, 1798.

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fifteen per cent. towards which the sum of forty-two pounds, seven shillings and two pence only is paid; and it also appearing that the said Henry Stevenson was prevented from making the said collections in due time by reason of the malignant fever that raged in the city of Baltimore; therefore, RESOLVED, That the said Henry Stevenson be and he is hereby released from the payment of nine per cent. on the sum or sums of money which were not collected and paid agreeably to the time limited for payment as aforesaid.

Which was read.

The house adjourns till to-morrow morning 9 o'clock.

## F R I D A Y, November 30, 1798.

THE house met. Present the same members as on yesterday, except Mr. W. Wilson. The proceedings of yesterday were read.

Mr. Carroll, from the committee, brings in and delivers to the speaker the following report: THE committee to whom was referred the petition from sundry inhabitants of Baltimore county, praying that the commissioners appointed under an act of the last session of the general assembly to build a new gaol for said county, might be authorized to build the said new gaol in a situation different from that on which the old gaol at present stands, also praying that a tavern might not be kept in the said gaol for the purpose of vending liquors to prisoners confined therein, are of opinion that the prayer of said petitioners is reasonable, and ought to be granted.

By order,

J. F. HARRIS, clk.

Which was read.

Mr. M'Pherson, from the committee, brings in and delivers to the speaker the following report: THE committee to whom was referred the letter of John Callahan, register of the land-office of the western shore, report, that they have had the same under their consideration, and are of opinion that it will be materially necessary that he examine the records with the original certificates, as mentioned in his letter; they therefore submit the following resolution:

RESOLVED, That John Callahan, register of the land-office of the western shore, be and he is hereby authorized and required to compare the records B C and G S, No. 50, and the records B C and G S, No. 52, with the original certificates, and to correct them where necessary.

By order,

L. GASSAWAY, clk.

Which was read the first and second time, and the resolution therein contained assented to.

On motion, ORDERED, That the printer to the state strike one hundred copies of the auditor's report and exhibits for the use of the general assembly.

Mr. Harwood, from the committee, brings in and delivers to the speaker the following report: THE committee to whom was referred the petition of Dennis Griffith, of Anne-Arundel county, report, that they have taken the same into consideration, and are of opinion the map of the said Griffith is a work of merit, and general utility to the state of Maryland, and that he deserves legislative aid; they therefore beg leave to submit the following resolution:

RESOLVED, That the treasurer of the western shore be and he is hereby authorized and directed to release to Dennis Griffith, on his bonds to the state, all interest that shall arise due thereon for three years from this period, and in the mean-time no process to issue on said bonds against him or his securities.

By order,

J. F. HARRIS, clk.

Which was read.

A petition from Mary Williams, of the city of Annapolis, praying a sum of money may be levied on Anne-Arundel county for her support, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Key, Mr. Quynn and Mr. Harwood, to consider and report thereon.

A petition from Catharine Lanham, of Montgomery county, praying a sum of money may be levied on said county for her support, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Riley, Mr. Thomas and Mr. Swearingen, to consider and report thereon.

The bill for the establishment of vestries for each parish in this state, was read the second time, agreeably to the order of the day, and passed.

Mr. Simkins, from the committee, brings in and delivers to the speaker a bill, entitled, An act to prevent the firing of woods in the several counties in this state therein mentioned; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

The house adjourns till to-morrow morning 9 o'clock.

## S A T U R D A Y, December 1, 1798.

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

Petitions from Robert Mickle, of Baltimore city, and Joseph Forrest, of Montgomery county, praying acts of insolvency, were preferred, read, and referred to the committee appointed on petitions of a similar nature.

Mr. Peregrine Benson, a delegate returned for Talbot county, appeared, and after qualifying in the mode prescribed by the constitution and form of government, and taking the oath to support the constitution of the United States, took his seat in the house.

The report on the petition of William Bankhead, of Harford county, was read the second time, concurred with, and leave given to bring in a bill pursuant thereto. ORDERED, That the committee appointed on the said petition prepare and bring in the same.

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