

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, November, 1798.

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A petition from fundry inhabitants of Frederick county, counter to the petition of the inhabitants of Berlin, was preferred, read, and referred to the committee on the petition to which it is counter.

Mr. Brome, from the committee, brings in and delivers to the speaker the following report: THE committee to whom was referred the petition of John Somerville, and others, of Calvert county, report, that they have taken the same into consideration, and are of opinion the prayer of the petitioners is reasonable, and ought to be granted.

By order, R. K. WATTS, clk.
 Which was read the first and 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.

Mr. Barroll, from the committee, brings in and delivers to the speaker a bill, entitled, A supplement to an act, entitled, An act relating to negroes, and to repeal the acts of assembly therein mentioned; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

On motion, the question was put, That the house resolve itself into a committee of the whole to take into consideration the bill to regulate elections? The yeas and nays being required, appeared as follow:

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

Leigh,	Mackall,	Winder,	C. Frazier,	M'Comas,	Summers,
Barber,	Bourne,	Miller,	Wright,	Montgomery,	R. Magruder,
Neale,	Brome,	Hollingsworth,	Corbin,	Dallam,	Swearingen,
Barroll,	E. Brown,	David,	Warfield,	A. Buchanan,	Riley,
Tilghman,	Ridgely,	Addison,	Gwinn,	W. Wilson,	Cresap, of M.
Dunn,	Carroll,	Calvert,	Thomas,	Kershner,	Cresap, of D.
Worthington,	Lemmon,	Duckett,	Bruce,	Cellar,	Beall,
Harwood,	Sherwood,	Quynn,	Jarrett,	Geoghegan,	Simkins.
Hall,	Jones,				50.

N E G A T I V E.

Greenwell,	T. Buchanan,	Hyland,	Keene,	J. Magruder,	Purnell,
Taney,	M'Pherson,	Steuart,	Steele,	J. Brown,	Potter,
Parsham,	Nabb,	Pattison,	S. Frazier,	E. K. Wilson,	Young.

So it was resolved in the affirmative.

The clerk of the senate delivers the resolution authorising William Kilty to revise the laws of Maryland, endorsed; "By the senate, December 22, 1798: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

By the senate, January 2, 1799: Read the second time and assented to. "By order, A. VAN-HORN, clk.

The further supplement to the act, entitled, An act to lay out several turnpike roads in Baltimore county, and for other purposes, endorsed; "By the senate, December 29, 1798: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

By the senate, January 2, 1799: Read the second time and will pass. "By order, A. VAN-HORN, clk.

The bill to authorize and empower the levy court of Montgomery county to assess and levy annually a sum of money for the support of Joseph Crown, endorsed; "By the senate, December 24, 1798: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

By the senate, January 1, 1799: Read the second time and will pass. "By order, A. VAN-HORN, clk.

Ordered to be engrossed. "By order, A. VAN-HORN, clk."

and the following message:

BY THE SENATE, JANUARY 1, 1799.

GENTLEMEN,
 THE senate have postponed acting upon the resolution in favour of Henry Stevenson, in consequence of their doubts, whether the act appointing an agent for the year one thousand seven hundred and ninety-eight does not constitute the fifteen per cent. the only fund out of which the agent shall draw his commission for his entire services.
 If this should be the true construction of the act, there would be manifest impropriety in our assenting to the resolution. To obviate any embarrassment arising from this doubt, and enable us to determine agreeably to the real merits of each case, we submit a resolution, which, if originated with you, will meet with our concurrence.

By order, A. VAN-HORN, clk.
 Which was read.
 The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole, to take into consideration the bill to regulate elections. The speaker left the chair. Mr. Barroll took the chair of the committee; after some time spent therein, the speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Barroll reported, that the committee had taken the said bill into consideration, and had made farther progress therein, and had directed him to ask leave to sit again.
 ORDERED, That this house will again on to-morrow resolve itself into a committee of the whole on the said bill.

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

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