

"By the senate, January 9, 1799: Read the second time, the first and fourth assented to, and a second and third dissented from.

"By order,

A. VAN-HORN, clk."

The following message:

BY THE SENATE, JANUARY 9, 1798.

GENTLEMEN,

WE have assented to your first and fourth resolutions, and dissented from the second and third, respecting a recommendation to our senators and representatives in congress for the purpose of proposing alterations in the constitution of the United States.

By order,

A. VAN-HORN, clk.

Which was read.

The resolution in favour of William Ferguson, endorsed; "By the senate, January 7, 1799: "Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order,

A. VAN-HORN, clk.

"By the senate, January 9, 1799: Read the second time and dissented from.

"By order,

A. VAN-HORN, clk."

The following message:

BY THE SENATE, JANUARY 9, 1799.

GENTLEMEN,

WE have rejected your resolution in favour of William Ferguson. The only necessity of passing any resolution in his favour, we think, arises from his being at present debarred remedy in the court of chancery, from certain proceedings which have heretofore taken place in that court in relation to the purchase.

We herewith send a draught of a resolution, which, if originated with you, will meet our concurrence.

By order,

A. VAN-HORN, clk.

Which was read.

The bill for the relief of Ralph Ormiston, of Washington county, the bill to relinquish to Frederick Eickelberger, of Frederick county, the right of the state to the land therein mentioned, severally endorsed; "By the senate, January 8, 1799: Read the first time and ordered to lie on "the table.

"By order,

A. VAN-HORN, clk.

"By the senate, January 9, 1799: Read the second time by especial order and will pass.

"By order,

A. VAN-HORN, clk."

Ordered to be engrossed.

A bill, entitled, An act to alter and change the time of holding the county courts in Washington county, endorsed: "By the senate, January 7, 1799: Read the first time and ordered to lie on "the table.

"By order,

A. VAN-HORN, clk.

"By the senate, January 10, 1799: Read the second time and will pass.

"By order,

A. VAN-HORN, clk."

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

The bill to prevent the going at large of swine within a limited distance of the city of Baltimore, and to repeal an act of assembly therein mentioned, with the following message:

BY THE SENATE, JANUARY 10, 1799.

GENTLEMEN,

WE still adhere to our opinion, that more evil than good would result from the passage of the law you propose respecting hogs going at large in the neighbourhood of the city of Baltimore. Strongly impressed with this opinion, and reflecting how long we have already been in session, we cannot agree to reconsider the subject.

By order,

A. VAN-HORN, clk.

Which was read.

And the paper bills No. 14, 26, 64 and 65, severally endorsed; "By the senate, January 10, "1799: The engrossed bill whereof this is the original read and assented to.

"By order,

A. VAN-HORN, clk."

Charles Carroll, of Carrollton, and John Campbell, Esquires, from the senate, acquaint the speaker that the governor is waiting in the senate to sign and seal certain engrossed bills, and request the attendance of this house for that purpose.

The speaker left the chair, and, attended by the members of this house, went to the senate, and there presented the following engrossed bills to the governor, who signed the same, and affixed the great seal thereto, in the presence of both houses.

No. 14. An act for the relief of Andrew Buchanan.

No. 26. An act for the relief of Joseph Forrest, of George-town, Patowmack, and Thomas Earle, of Queen-Anne's county.

No. 64. An act for the relief of sundry insolvent debtors.

No. 65. An act respecting the criminal business of the city and county of Baltimore.

Mr. Speaker, with the rest of the members, returned and resumed the chair.

On the second reading of the supplement to the act, entitled, An act to regulate and discipline the militia of this state, the question was put, That the following proviso be received as an amendment to the said bill? "Provided, That if any quaker, menonist or tunker, or other person conscientiously scrupulous of bearing arms, shall be draughted as aforesaid, and shall neglect