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but that this legislature ought not to interfere therewith, as the chancellor is by law invested with full power to grant her the remedy prayed for.

By order,

C. GIBSON, clk.

Which was read the first and second time and concurred with.

The report on the petition of Thomas Nicholls, of Simon, of Montgomery county, was read the second time, the resolution therein contained assented to, and sent to the senate by the clerk.

The clerk of the senate delivers the bill, entitled, An act for the benefit of Henry Joseph Stier, endorsed; "By the senate, January 15, 1805: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order,

T. W. HALL, clk.

"By the senate, January 16, 1805: Read the second time by especial order and will not pass.

"By order,

T. W. HALL, clk."

Also the bill, entitled, An act to authorise a lottery or lotteries to raise a sum of money for the improvement of the navigation of the river Susquehanna, endorsed; "By the senate, January 16, 1805: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order,

T. W. HALL, clk.

"By the senate, January 17, 1805: Read the second time by especial order and will pass.

"By order,

T. W. HALL, clk."

Ordered that the said bill be engrossed.

Also the resolution in favour of Christopher Johnson, endorsed; "By the senate, January 16, 1805: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order,

T. W. HALL, clk.

"By the senate, January 16, 1805: Read the second time by especial order and assented to.

"By order,

T. W. HALL, clk."

Also the resolution in favour of Rinaldo Johnson and Elisha Berry, of Prince-George's county, endorsed; "By the senate, January 16, 1805: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order,

T. W. HALL, clk.

"By the senate, January 17, 1805: Read the second time by especial order and assented to.

"By order,

T. W. HALL, clk."

And the following message:

BY THE SENATE, JANUARY 17, 1805.

GENTLEMEN OF THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES,

YOUR message of yesterday, proposing immediately to proceed to the election of two directors on the part of this state in the Union bank of Maryland, was received at too late an hour to be answered before your house rose. The senate propose immediately to go into said election. No person is put in nomination by the senate in addition to those mentioned in your message. Mr. Thomas and Mr. Christie will join the gentlemen named by your house in the examination of the ballots. We have adopted the resolution sent with your message for the regulation of said election.

By order,

T. W. HALL, clk.

Which was read.

The following message was read, agreed to, and sent to the senate by the clerk.

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, JANUARY 17, 1805.

GENTLEMEN OF THE SENATE,

WE have received your answer to our message of yesterday, and concur in going immediately into the election of two directors in behalf of the state in the Union bank of Maryland.

By order,

J. B. DUCKETT, clk.

The house proceeded to ballot for two directors on the part of this state in the Union bank of Maryland; the ballots being deposited in the ballot box, the gentlemen named to strike retired, and after sometime returned and reported, that Thomas Dickson and Benjamin Williams had a majority of the votes of all the attending members of both branches of the legislature. Whereupon,

RESOLVED, That Thomas Dickson and Benjamin Williams be, and they are hereby declared to be, the two directors on the part of the state in the Union bank of Maryland.

Mr. Scott, from the committee, delivers to the speaker a bill, entitled, An act for the relief of sundry insolent debtors; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

The following resolution being propounded to the house, was read, to wit:

RESOLVED, That _____, be and they are hereby appointed commissioners to superintend the erection of a penitentiary for the reception of the criminals to be condemned within this state, and that the said commissioners, or a majority of them, be and they are hereby authorised and directed to agree on a scite for the said buildings, and to propose a plan to be submitted to the executive of this state, and when approved of by them, to contract for and superintend the execution of the same; and for the purpose of defraying the expence thereof, the amount of the proceeds of the fines, forfeitures, licences and amerciaments, to be collected within the city and county of Baltimore, be and they are hereby appropriated; and the said commissioners, or a major-