

in virtue of the said act, for his or their service, a commission not exceeding one per cent. on the amount of the stock of the United States which shall be entered and held as aforesaid on the books of the treasury of the United States for the use of the state of Maryland." The question was then put, Will the house assent to the said resolution? Resolved in the affirmative.

On further progression in reading the said report, it was amended to read as follows: "The committee further report, that they have considered the memorials of Benjamin Harwood, of the city of Annapolis, John P. Paca, of Queen-Anne's county, and Charles Chilton, of Saint-Mary's county, praying that provision may be made for the payment of certain bills of exchange held by them, drawn by the treasurer of the western shore as commissioner under and by virtue of the act of assembly passed at November session, seventeen hundred and seventy-nine, chapter thirty-eight, entitled, An act for calling out of circulation certain bills of credit emitted by act of assembly."

On further progression in reading the said report, the question was put, Will the house assent to the fourth resolution therein contained? Resolved in the affirmative.

On further progression in reading the said report, the question was put, Will the house assent to the fifth resolution therein contained? Resolved in the affirmative.

The house, according to the order of the day, proceeded to the second reading of the bill, entitled, An act for the relief of sundry insolvent debtors, and after sometime spent in considering the same,

The house adjourned until 6 o'clock.

P O S T M E R I D I E M.

The house met.

The amendment proposed by the senate to the bill, entitled, An act to authorise the sale of certain lots of land lying westward of Fort Cumberland, was read the second time, agreed to, and the bill ordered to be engrossed.

The clerk of the senate delivers the bill, entitled, An act to continue an act, entitled, An act to incorporate the Maryland insurance company, passed at November session, seventeen hundred and ninety-five, endorsed "By the senate, January 16, 1805: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

T. W. HALL, clk.

"By the senate, January 18, 1805: Read the second time and will pass.

T. W. HALL, clk."

Ordered that the said bill be engrossed.

Also the bill, entitled, An act to prevent persons from obstructing the passage of fish up Patapsco river, endorsed; "By the senate, January 16, 1805: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

T. W. HALL, clk.

"By the senate, January 18, 1805: Read the second time and will not pass.

T. W. HALL, clk."

Also the bill, entitled, An act for the encouragement of learning in this state, and for other purposes there mentioned, endorsed; "By the senate, January 12, 1805: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

T. W. HALL, clk.

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

T. W. HALL, clk."

With the following message:

BY THE SENATE, JANUARY 18, 1805.

GENTLEMEN OF THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES,

WE have had under consideration a bill which originated in your house, entitled, An act for the encouragement of learning in the several counties of this state, and for other purposes.

The senate having determined that the said bill is, under the constitution, to all intents and purposes a money bill, and cannot be altered or amended by their body; and as there are a number of details and regulations annexed to said bill, on which the senate would wish to have an opportunity of acting, such as the apportionment of the money, the appointment of the trustees, and pointing out the duties to be performed by the trustees; and as we conceive the constitution is not gratified by the addition of the aforesaid details to a law appropriating money in the treasury, we have deemed it proper to send the bill back for your reconsideration, hoping that it may pass your house in such a manner as that the senate will be enabled to act, jointly with yourselves, in the regulations which they conceive necessary for carrying the said law into effect.

We beg leave to assure you, that the encouragement of learning in the several counties in this state is of primary consideration with the senate, and they feel an earnest desire to co-operate with your house in passing any constitutional law that will promote so desirable an object.

T. W. HALL, clk.

By order,

Which was read.

Also the report of the committee on the communications of the governor of Massachusetts, enclosing resolutions proposing an amendment to the constitution of the United States, endorsed; "By the senate, January 17, 1805: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

T. W. HALL, clk.

"By order,