

must be surrendered in the lump; which effectually prevents any deficiency of the papers from being observed, at the time of a re-delivery.

That the estates now unsettled in the different counties, cannot possibly be finally settled, by such of the present registers, as are new in office, without a reference to the records, and particular instructions from the keeper thereof:—And therefore submitting it to the wisdom of the house, whether he might not be indulged in the possession of those records, and transact the business thereof by a deputy—thus endorsed; “By the senate, June 25, 1777: Read and referred to the consideration of the house of delegates.

“By order, A. C. HANSON, cl. sen.”

Mr. P. Thomas brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act directing the justices of Frederick county to ascertain the number of taxables, &c. which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table

On motion, leave given to bring in a bill, entitled, An act to revive and aid the proceedings of Cæcil county court. ORDERED, That Mr. R. Bond, Mr. Veazy, Mr. Gilpin, and Mr. Ewing, do prepare and bring in the same.

Mr. Veazy brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act to revive and aid the proceedings of Cæcil county court; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. J. Bond brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act to continue an act for suspending the power of the commissioners for building a court house and prison in Harford county; which was read a first and second time by an especial order and will pass. Sent to the senate by Mr. Archer and Mr. J. Bond. They return and acquaint Mr. Speaker they delivered the bill.

On a second reading the memorial of Elie Vallette, on motion, leave given to bring in a bill to remove the records of the prerogative office. ORDERED, That Mr. Hall, Mr. Brice, and Mr. Lethrbury, do prepare and bring in the same.

The bill, entitled, An act directing the justices of Frederick county to ascertain the number of taxables in Washington and Montgomery counties, and to enable the sheriffs of those counties to collect their proportion of the public levy, as settled by the justices of Frederick county, read a second time by an especial order, passed, and sent to the senate by Mr. Wootton and Mr. Sheredine. They return and acquaint Mr. Speaker they delivered the bill.

On motion, leave given to bring in a bill, entitled, An act to continue an act for enlarging the powers of the governor and the council. ORDERED, That Mr. Lethrbury, Mr. S. Chase, and Mr. Hall, do prepare and bring in the same.

The bill, entitled, An act to revive and aid the proceedings of Cæcil county court, read a second time by an especial order, passed, and sent to the senate by Mr. Veazy and Mr. Gilpin. They return and acquaint Mr. Speaker they delivered the bill.

Mr. Lethrbury brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act to continue an act for enlarging the powers of the governor and the council; which was read a first and second time by an especial order and will pass. Sent to the senate by Mr. Lethrbury and Mr. Turner. They return and acquaint Mr. Speaker they delivered the bill.

Matthew Tilghman, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the bill, entitled, An act to continue an act for suspending the power of the commissioners for building a court house and prison in Harford county, thus endorsed; “By the senate, June 25, 1777: Read the first and second time by especial order and will pass.

“By order, A. C. HANSON, cl. sen.”

Which was read here and passed for engrossing.

Joseph Nicholson, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the bill, entitled, An act directing the magistrates of Frederick county to ascertain the number of taxables in Washington and Montgomery counties, and to enable the sheriffs of those counties to collect their proportion of the public levy, as settled by the justices of Frederick county, thus endorsed; “By the senate, June 25, 1777: Read the first and second time by especial order and will pass.

“By order, A. C. HANSON, cl. sen.”

Which was read here and passed for engrossing.

Samuel Wilson, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the bill, entitled, An act to enable the corporation of the city of Annapolis to sell or lease certain lands, and to enlarge and ascertain the jurisdiction of the mayor's court of the said city; thus endorsed; “By the senate, June 25, 1777: Read the first and second time by especial order and will pass.

“By order, A. C. HANSON, cl. sen.”

Which was read here and passed for engrossing.

Brice T. B. Worthington, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the bill, entitled, An act to revive and aid the proceedings of Cæcil county court, thus endorsed; “By the senate, June 25, 1777: Read the first and second time by an especial order and will pass.

“By order, A. C. HANSON, cl. sen.”

Which was read here and passed for engrossing.