

Thomas Stone, Esquire, from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the bill to suspend for a time the collection of the public assessment imposed November session, seventeen hundred and eighty-five, endorsed; "By the senate, December 26, 1786: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order, J. DORSEY, clk.

"By the senate, January 6, 1787: Read the second time and will pass with the proposed amendments.

"By order, J. DORSEY, clk."

Amendments proposed. In the third line of the first page, strike out "tenth day of May," and insert "twentieth of April." After the word "enacted" in the second line from the bottom of the third page, insert "if the money and certificates received by the collectors are paid into the treasury by the 10th day of February as aforesaid." In the last line of the bill strike out "July" and insert "June." After the word "act," at the end of the bill, insert "And be it enacted, that it shall be the duty of the treasurers of the respective shores, to make diligent inquiry upon their respective shores, whether the money and certificates collected are paid into the treasuries agreeably to this act, and if it appears to either of them, that any collector of their respective shores hath received money or certificates which shall not be paid into the treasury by the said tenth day of February next, then the bond of such collector shall be ordered to be put in suit.

"And be it enacted, that in the collection of the tax aforesaid, it is hereby declared to be the duty of the respective collectors to give certificates in change, if they have them, to those who may offer such certificates as are receivable in payment of the said tax for larger sums than the tax due by the persons offering such certificates.

"And be it enacted, that money shall not be given by any collector in change for any certificate, above five per cent. on the tax payable in certificates by the persons who may offer such certificates.

"And, whereas in some counties the collectors may not have given bond with security, as required by the act to raise the supplies for the year 1785, Be it enacted, that the commissioners of the tax, in the respective counties of this state, or a major part of them, be and are hereby authorized and directed, in cases where bonds have not heretofore been given, to take bonds from the said collectors in their respective counties, in manner and form as by the said act is directed, only extending the time of collection in the condition of the said bonds to the first day of June next."

Which were read.

The bill for erecting a town at or near the mouth of Wille's creek, in Washington county, endorsed; "By the senate, January 2, 1787: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order, J. DORSEY, clk.

"By the senate, January 6, 1787: Read the second time and will pass.

"By order, J. DORSEY, clk."

The bill to vest certain powers in the governor and council, endorsed; "By the senate, January 3, 1787: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order, J. DORSEY, clk.

"By the senate, January 6, 1787: Read the second time and will pass.

"By order, J. DORSEY, clk."

And the bill granting Robert Lemmon the exclusive right of making and vending carding and spinning machines, endorsed; "By the senate, January 5, 1787: Read the first time and ordered "to lie on the table.

"By order, J. DORSEY, clk.

"By the senate, January 6, 1787: Read the second time by especial order and will pass.

"By order, J. DORSEY, clk."

Which were ordered to be engrossed.

George Gale, Esquire, from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act for the adjournment of Baltimore county court, endorsed; "By the senate, January 6, 1787: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order, J. DORSEY, clk.

* By the senate, January 6, 1787: Read the second time by especial order and will pass.

"By order, J. DORSEY, clk."

Which was read the first and second time by especial order and will pass.

Charles Carroll, of Carrollton, Esquire, from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the bill for the removal of the seat of justice from Charles-town to the Head of Elk, in Cæcil county, endorsed; "By the senate, January 5, 1787: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order, J. DORSEY, clk.

"By the senate, January 6, 1787: Read the second time by especial order and will pass with the proposed amendments.

"By order, J. DORSEY, clk."

Amendments proposed. In the fourth page, and fifth line from the bottom, strike out the word "henceforth," and insert the words "and after the tenth day of April next." In the fifth page and second line, strike out "twelfth" and insert "tenth." In the same page and line, strike out "March" and insert "April."

Which were read.

And a petition from John Walker and Richard Jacob, of Anne-Arundel county, and Vachel Stevens, administrator of John Stevens, deceased, and William Pumphrey, administrator of Benjamin Fowler, deceased, and sundry other subscribers, parishioners of the parish of Saint Margaret's Westminster, in said county, setting forth, that the vestrymen of said parish borrowed of the reverend Walter Magowan the sum of fifty-four pounds seven shillings sterling money, and passed