

# VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, November, 1791.

On the second reading of the bill concerning the territory of Columbia, and the city of Washington, agreeably to the order of the day, the question was put, That the said bill be amended by striking out the words said commissioners or any two of them, and inserting the words governor and council? The yeas and nays being called for by Mr. Crabb, appeared as follow:

<b>A F F I R M A T I V E.</b>						
Medicars	Scott, T. Harwood, Craik, Hawkins, Ridgely, of Wm.	Ridgely, Lowe, Miller, R. Bond, Hollingsworth,	Oldham, Bowie, T. Marshall, Quynn, Duvall,	Sency, Wright, O'Bryon, Barnes, Key,	Beatty, Burkhart, Prall, Pinkney, Wilson,	S. Smith, M'Mechen, Crabb, Turner.      29
<b>N E G A T I V E.</b>						
Medicars	Carroll, Hopewell, T. Ringgold, Comegys, J. Worthington, Mercer, N. Worthington, Kerr,	Chesley, T. Gantt, jun. M'Pherson, Chapman, Cockey, Sherwood,	Gibson, Waggaman, Denwood, Lecompte, Frazier, Eccleston,	Clark, T. Gantt, Dennis, Holland, Ratcliff, J. P. Marshall,	P. Smith, Douglas, Lockerman, Whitely, Ott, Swearingen,	Oneale, Deakins, Beall, Cresap, Tomlinson, Jacob.      38.

So it was determined in the negative.

The bill being read throughout, the question was put, That the said bill do pass with the proposed amendments? The yeas and nays being called for Mr. T. Marshall, appeared as follow:

<b>A F F I R M A T I V E.</b>						
Medicars	Carroll, Hopewell, T. Ringgold, J. Worthington, Mercer, N. Worthington, Chesley,	T. Gantt, jun. Craik, Hawkins, M'Pherson, Chapman, Denwood, Eccleston,	Bowie, T. Marshall, Clark, T. Gantt, Quynn, Duvall,	Dennis, Holland, J. P. Marshall, Key, Beatty, P. Smith,	Burkhart, M'Mechen, Ott, Swearingen, Oneale, Crabb,	Deakins, Turner, Beall, Cresap, Tomlinson, Jacob.      38.
<b>N E G A T I V E.</b>						
Medicars	Comegys, Scott, Ridgely, of Wm. Ridgely, Cockey,	Sherwood, Kerr, Gibson, Waggaman, Lowe,	Lecompte, Frazier, Miller, R. Bond, Hollingsworth,	Oldham, Sency, Wright, O'Bryon, Barnes,	Ratcliff, Prall, Lowe, Pinkney,	Wilson, Douglas, Lockerman, Whitely.      28.

So it was resolved in the affirmative.

Amendments proposed. Third page, 3d line of the enacting clause, after the word "hereby," insert "acknowledged to be." 4th page, 8th line from the bottom, after the word "Advertiser," insert "the Maryland Herald." Same page, 9th line, strike out the words "six weeks," and insert "three months."

Mr. Craik, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act to enable the inhabitants of Durham parish, in Charles county, to elect vestrymen and churchwardens for said parish; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Pinkney, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act for the more effectual punishment of criminals; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

**ORDERED,** That the said bill have a second reading on Wednesday next.

The clerk of the senate delivers the resolution in favour of Richard Henley Courts, endorsed; "By the senate, November 25, 1791: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table."

"By order, H. RIDGELY, clk.  
"By the senate, December 9, 1791: Read the second time and dissented to.  
"By order, H. RIDGELY, clk."

The resolution in favour of Jason Jenkins, endorsed; "By the senate, December 2, 1791: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table."  
"By order, H. RIDGELY, clk."

"By the senate, December 8, 1791: Read the second time and dissented to.  
"By order, H. RIDGELY, clk."

The resolution in favour of Margaret Fisher, endorsed; "By the senate, December 6, 1791: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table."  
"By order, H. RIDGELY, clk."

"By the senate, December 8, 1791: Read the second time and dissented to.  
"By order, H. RIDGELY, clk."

And the following message:

**BY THE SENATE, DECEMBER 8, 1791.**

**GENTLEMEN,**

WE have dissented to the resolution in favour of Margaret Fisher, because we consider the securities, who are solvent, and not the woman, will receive the benefit of the indulgence. We should have no objection to passing a resolution releasing Margaret Fisher and her securities from the debt due the state, upon their paying to the state the sum of fifteen hundred pounds in such certificates as may be receivable in payment of arrearages of taxes, and indemnifying the state from all costs accruing on suits or executions on their bond, and upon the securities producing to the governor and council the certificate of George Murdock and Richard Potts, Esquires, that they have secured to

Margaret