

Mr. Taney, from the committee, brings in and delivers to the speaker a bill, entitled, An act to alter and repeal all those parts of the constitution and form of government that require property as a qualification for voters at elections, and for persons holding places of profit, honour or trust, in or under government; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

A petition from William S. Bond, of Talbot county, in behalf of himself and partner, praying further time to compound on a large quantity of land in Allegany county, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Kerr, Mr. Key and Mr. Clarke, to consider and report thereon.

Mr. Levi Hollingsworth, a delegate returned for Cæcil county, appeared, and after qualifying in the mode prescribed by the constitution and form of government, and taking the oath to support the constitution of the United States, took his seat in the house.

The clerk of the senate delivers the bill to authorise and empower the levy court of Saint-Mary's county to assess and levy annually a sum of money for the support of Elizabeth Goodrick, endorsed; "By the senate, December 1, 1797: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order, A. VAN-HORN, clk.
"By the senate, December 4, 1797: Read the second time and will pass with the proposed amendments.

"By order, A. VAN-HORN, clk."
Amendments proposed. In the 5th line, after the word "children" insert "named Elizabeth Goodrick." After the word "she" in the same line insert "the said idiot."

Which were read.
And the bill to alter the times of holding the county courts in the several counties therein mentioned, endorsed; "By the senate, November 27, 1797: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order, A. VAN-HORN, clk.
"By the senate, December 5, 1797: Read the second time and will pass with the proposed amendments.

"By order, A. VAN-HORN, clk."
Amendments proposed. In the 9th and 10th lines of the first page strike out the words "second Monday in February and the fourth Monday in November," and insert "second Monday in October." In the 10th line of the same page strike out the words "the times" and insert "the first Monday in August as." After the word "law" in the 10th line of the same page insert "and the county court of Kent county on the fourth Monday in October, instead of the second Monday of that month, as now established; and the county court of Queen-Anne's county on the fourth Monday in November, instead of the fourth Monday in October, as now fixed by law." In the 16th line of the same page strike out from the word "month" to the end of the section. In the second page strike out the whole section and insert the following: "And be it enacted, That all process whatsoever now issued, or that may be issued, in the respective counties of Caroline and Dorchester, returnable to the second and fourth Mondays in March next respectively, shall be returnable and returned to the first and third Mondays in the same month; and all causes, pleas and proceedings, civil and criminal, returnable to, and depending before, the said county courts of Caroline and Dorchester counties at the respective times of their last adjournments, shall be returned and continued to the first and third Mondays in March next, in the same counties respectively, in the same manner as if the said causes, pleas and proceedings, had been regularly continued to the said respective times appointed by this act by the several county courts of Caroline and Dorchester aforesaid."

Which were read.
Mr. Worthington appeared in the house.
The bill to discontinue the donation to Washington college, was read the second time, agreeably to the order of the day, and the question put, That the said bill do pass? The yeas and nays being required, appeared as follow:

A F F I R M A T I V E.

Merryman,	Jones,	Hollingsworth,	Robins,	McComas,	Riley,
Worthington,	Dashiell,	Wallace,	Rackliff,	Bond,	Swalles,
E. Brown,	Polk,	Miller,	Warfield,	Bennett,	P. Magruder,
Sherwood,	S. Frazier,	J. Brown,	Thomas, Fred.	Young,	Clarke,
Martin,	Craig,	C. Frazier,	Gist,	Potter,	A. Beall,
Kerr,	Pattison,	Corbin,	Montgomery,	Kerfner,	Tomlinson,
Harwood,	Goldsbrough,	Wilson,	Jarrett,	C. Beall,	Rice.
Hyland,					43.

N E G A T I V E.					
Leigh,	Parker,	Emerson,	T. Buchanan,	Duckett,	Nicholson,
Plowden,	J. C. Thomas,	Taney,	Carroll,	Calvert,	Smith,
Greenwell,	Brogden,	Brome,	Matthews,	Quynn,	Dorsey,
Angier,	Hall,	Chapman,	Addison,	Key,	J. Buchanan.
Page,	Godman,				26.

So it was resolved in the affirmative.

The order of the day, respecting the resolution for investing the sum of sixty-six thousand dollars in the bank of Baltimore, is postponed until Thursday next.

The clerk of the senate delivers the bill relative to certain erroneous patents, endorsed; "By the senate, November 25, 1797: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order, A. VAN-HORN, clk.
By the senate, December 5, 1797: Read the second time and will not pass.

"By order, A. VAN-HORN, clk."
The house adjourns till to-morrow morning 10 o'clock.