

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, NOVEMBER SESSION, 1801.

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The speaker laid before the house a letter of resignation from Mr. Edward Hall; which was read and accepted.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a bill to regulate the inspection of tobacco. ORDERED, That Mr. Mackall, Mr. Van-Horn, Mr. M'Pherson, Mr. Lowes, Mr. Harwood, Mr. T. Davis and Mr. W. Neale, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

The clerk of the senate delivers the bill for the relief of Levin Parsons, of Worcester county, endorsed; "By the senate, November 6, 1801: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

" By order,

J. B. DUCKETT, clk.

" By the senate, November 11, 1801: Read the second time and will not pass.

" By order,

J. B. DUCKETT, clk."

And the bill to enable the Zion church congregations to finish and complete their house of public worship in Baltimore county, endorsed; " By the senate, November 9, 1801: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

" By order,

J. B. DUCKETT, clk.

" By the senate, November 11, 1801: Read the second time and will pass.

" By order,

J. B. DUCKETT, clk."

Ordered to be engrossed.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a bill to regulate public ferries. ORDERED, That Mr. Chapman, Mr. Quynn, Mr. Mackall, Mr. Harwood and Mr. Goldsborough, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

Mr. Nelson, from the committee, delivers to the speaker the following report:

THE committee to whom were referred the memorials of Alexander Martin and Frederick Green, printers, report, that they have taken the same into consideration, and are of opinion that the circulation of the laws of the state and of the votes and proceedings through the medium of a circulating news-paper, will be productive of an extensive distribution of knowledge and information amongst the citizens of the state; that as a proposition has been made to publish and distribute the votes and proceedings and the laws of the state in a news-paper, and the laws and votes and proceedings in pamphlets, and also the proclamations and other proceedings of the executive, for the salary heretofore allowed to the printer of the state, and as the Maryland Gazette has not a circulation adequate to effect the desirable object, we are of opinion that two hundred and twenty-five pounds be allowed out of said salary to Alexander Martin, for publishing said laws, votes and proceedings, and such executive proceedings as may be directed to be published, in his paper, styled "The American," and that the balance of said salary heretofore allowed to the state's printer be paid to Frederick Green, for the publishing said laws and votes and proceedings in pamphlets, and distributing the same, and doing all other the printing of the legislature, during their sitting, as heretofore.

RESOLVED, That the treasurer of the western shore be, and he is hereby required, to pay to the said Alexander Martin the said sum of five hundred dollars, and to Frederick Green the said sum of _____ pounds, according to the above report.

By order,

L. GASSAWAY, clk.

Which was read.

Mr. Tilghman, from the committee, delivers to the speaker a further additional supplement to an act, entitled, An act to strengthen and amend the several public roads in several counties, and for other purposes; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a further supplement to an act, entitled, An act to improve and repair the streets in Frederick-town, in Frederick county, and for other purposes therein mentioned. ORDERED, That Mr. Nelson, Mr. Houston and Mr. Hawkins, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

The house adjourns till to-morrow morning 9 o'clock.

T H U R S D A Y, November 12, 1801.

THE house met. Present the same members as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a further additional supplement to an act, entitled, An act for the relief of sundry insolvent debtors, passed at March session, 1774. ORDERED, That Mr. Anderson, Mr. Quinton, Mr. Purnell, Mr. Chapman and Mr. Carcaud, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

Mr. Joseph Thompson, a delegate returned for Queen-Anne's 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.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a bill to alter the time of holding the courts in Frederick county. ORDERED, That Mr. Tilghman, Mr. Lowes and Mr. Ott, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

Mr. Bowie, from the committee, delivers to the speaker a bill, entitled, An act to prevent the obstruction of the navigation of the western branch of Patuxent river; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

A petition