

The 16th amendment formed a part of the bill as introduced into this house, and was struck out from a conviction of the inconvenience which would possibly attend it. Volunteer companies may be partial in their formation, particularly in the country; they may be made up from different bounds of enrolment, or may be confined to citizens of a certain degree of property. In a country intersected like ours, by waters, individuals in necks and peninsulas may by these means be excluded from those companies most contiguous to them, and compelled to attend places of muster at a greater distance. These reasons induced us to reject this part of the bill as first proposed, and influence us in not adopting your amendment. We hope they will have sufficient weight with you, to induce you to recede from these amendments.

By order, W. HARWOOD, clk.
 BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, DECEMBER 18, 1793.

GENTLEMEN OF THE SENATE,

WE have agreed to all your amendments to the bill, entitled, An act for the better regulation of apprentices, except the fourth. We conceive the regulation proposed by our bill, to be proper and salutary for both master and apprentice, and hope on reconsideration of the bill, which is herewith returned, you will recede from your amendment.

By order, W. HARWOOD, clk.

The bill, entitled, An act for the establishment of a market for the sale of live stock, within the precincts of Baltimore-town, was read a second time, and passed.

The clerk of the house of delegates brings in and delivers the following bills, to wit: A bill, entitled, An act to settle and pay the civil list and other expences of civil government; thus endorsed; "By the house of delegates, December 11, 1793: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table."

"By order, W. HARWOOD, clk.

"By the house of delegates, December 20, 1793: Read the second time and will pass.

"By order, W. HARWOOD, clk."

A bill, entitled, A Further supplement to the act respecting the settlers on the reserved lands westward of Fort Cumberland, thus endorsed; "By the house of delegates, December 17, 1793: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table."

"By order, W. HARWOOD, clk.

"By the house of delegates, December 20, 1793: Read the second time and will pass.

"By order, W. HARWOOD, clk."

An additional supplement to an act, entitled, An act to remove the market-house at the Head of Elk, and establish the same, and for the advancement and regulation of said town, thus endorsed; "By the house of delegates, December 17, 1793: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table."

"By order, W. HARWOOD, clk.

"By the house of delegates, December 20, 1793: Read the second time and will pass.

"By order, W. HARWOOD, clk."

All which said bills were severally read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

The clerk of the house of delegates likewise delivers a bill, entitled, An act to repeal an act of assembly therein mentioned, thus endorsed; "By the house of delegates, November 25, 1793: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table."

"By order, W. HARWOOD, clk.

"By the house of delegates, December 9, 1793: Read the second time and will not pass.

"By order, W. HARWOOD, clk."

And a bill, entitled, An act for the recovery of certain amerciaments, and also upon defaults on execution in criminal proceedings, thus endorsed; "By the house of delegates, December 12, 1793: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table."

"By order, W. HARWOOD, clk.

"By the house of delegates, December 20, 1793: Read the second time and will pass.

"By order, W. HARWOOD, clk."

Which said last mentioned bill was ordered to be engrossed.

The bill, entitled, An act to open and lay out roads from Denton, the seat of justice in Caroline county, to different parts of said county, and the same, when opened and laid out, to be the public roads of said county, was read a second time, and the question put, that the following amendment be inserted in the said bill, to wit: "And, whereas the said roads may cause damage to the proprietors of lands through which the same may pass, and it is reasonable and just that compensation should be made to such of the said proprietors as choose to receive it, Be it enacted, That upon application of any such proprietor to the county court of Caroline county, within two years after the road, by which he is injured, is entered of record, or in case of the infancy of such proprietor, upon application as aforesaid within two years after the age of twenty-one years, or within two years after his death, in case he dies during his infancy, the justices of the said court shall be empowered to agree with such applicant for the amount of the damages sustained, not exceeding the rate of forty shillings current money per acre; but if such agreement cannot be made, then the said court shall issue their warrant to the sheriff of the said county, commanding him to summon and return a jury of twelve good and lawful men of the said county, to be and appear before him on the premises, on a certain day in the said warrant to be expressed; which jury, on their oath, to be administered by the said sheriff, shall inquire whether the applicant is owner of the land through which the said road passes, and what damage he will sustain from the passing of the said road over his land, taking into consideration all conveniences and inconveniences, advantages and disadvantages,