

or claiming allowances on account of differences of exchange, &c.

#### V. The organization and operation of the Bank.

1. Subscriptions to be opened with as little delay as possible, and at as few places as shall be deemed just and convenient. The commissioners may be named in the act or appointed by the President.
2. The Bank to be organized, and commence its operation in specie as soon as the sum of 1,400,000 dollars has been actually received from the subscriptions, in gold and silver.
3. The Bank shall not at any time suspend its specie payments, unless the same shall be previously authorized by Congress, if in session, or by the President of the United States, if Congress be not in session. In the latter case, the suspension shall continue for six weeks after the meeting of Congress, and no longer, unless authorized by law.

#### VI. The bonus for the Charter of the Bank.

The subscribers shall pay a premium to the government for its charter, estimating the profits of the Bank from the probable advance in the value of its stock, and the result of its business when in full operations, at 7 per cent. a bonus of 1,500,000 dollars, payable in equal instalments of 2, 3 and 4 years after the Bank commences its operations, be considered as about 4 per cent. upon its capital, and would contribute a reasonable premium.

The bill received two readings by its title, and was referred to a committee of the whole.

### MARYLAND GAZETTE.

ANNAPOLIS, THURSDAY JAN. 18, 1816.

#### Appointment by the Governor and Council.

Augustine Gambrell, a judge of the levy court, vice Brice J. Worthington, resigned.

#### COMMUNICATED.

Mr. Editor,

You have no doubt seen the extract of a letter from Annapolis, published in a paper in Baltimore which bears the title of *FEDERAL GAZETTE*, &c. issued on Friday, January 12, 1816.

The writer of that letter is not a Federalist in heart. Can you fancy to yourself any thing more ridiculous than that part of it which talks about the "proper attention paid to the dignity of the office in the style of the governor's approach to it." But away with this—our present governor is firm, enlightened, patriotic, and a genuine Federal Republican; and if I know aught of him, disdains the fulsome panegyric of the writer in the *Federal Gazette*.

As to that part of the letter which is beyond doubt aimed at Mr. Maxcy, one of our present council, all that the greatest good nature can say, either of the author or the publisher is, the ground of objection taken against him is poor and puerile. No sensation has been created here among Federalists by his election to a seat at the council board, for we know he has done at least as much for the cause of Federalism as all the publications, either original or communicated, which ever appeared in the paper where he is so insidiously attacked. It could be proved that of the votes taken in our county, he actually obtained a greater number than any other of the gentlemen on the Federal ticket. Such was the honourable testimony his fellow citizens bore to his worth.

#### ABSTRACT OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE

#### Legislature of Maryland.

#### HOUSE OF DELEGATES,

Tuesday, Jan. 9.

The clerk of the senate delivers the bill to widen or change a part of the public road leading from Vienna to Henry's cross roads, in Dorchester county; the bill annulling the marriage of Thomas Drake, and wife, of Kent county; the bill to lay out and make public a road in Dorchester county; the bill annulling the marriage of Thomas W. Hooper, and wife; the supplement to an act authorizing the justices of the orphans courts to take sheriffs bonds; the bill annulling the marriage of Peregrine Emory, and wife; the bill authorizing a lottery to purchase ground and build a school-house in the neighbourhood of Bal-

lenger's creek mills, in Frederick county; and the bill to lay out and open a road in Harford county—passed. The additional supplement to an act for the appointment of commissioners for the regulation and improvement of Cambridge; and the bill authorizing the retailing of strong beer and cider without license—passed with amendments; agreed to by the house. The resolution in favour of John Norris—agreed to. A bill to incorporate a company for the improvement of the navigation of the river Susquehanna; a bill to lay out a road from Singleton Burgee's mill to a new cut road to New-Market; and a bill to authorise Philemon Towson and Sebastian Graff to dispose of certain property in the city of Baltimore—severally passed by the senate. Read.

Mr. Hughes delivers a bill to increase the allowance of the justices of the orphans courts in the several counties of this state therein mentioned. Read.

Mr. E. K. Wilson a bill for the benefit of the heirs of Benjamin Purnell, twice read, passed and sent to senate.

Mr. Little a bill to authorise the commissioners of the western precincts of the city of Baltimore, to make a survey and plat of said precincts; also a bill to authorise the making of sewers in the western precincts—severally read.

#### PETITIONS.

From Robert M'Gill, of the city of Baltimore, for a special act of insolvency. From Richard Waters, a revolutionary officer. From the levy court of Calvert, for a loan of money for rebuilding the courthouse. From William R. Patterson, of Harford, for a road. From John Hausselbaugh, of the city of Baltimore, and John Resoner, of Allegany, for special acts of insolvency. From Zadock Harvey, of Dorset, for an increase of pension. From Benjamin Williams, keeper of the Penitentiary, for increase of salary. From Larkin Shipley, of Anne-Arundel, to be compensated for services performed as quartermaster. From sundry inhabitants of Washington, for a road. From the Hager's town Fire Company, to be incorporated. From sundry inhabitants of Frederick and Montgomery, to incorporate a company for laying out a road. From sundry inhabitants of Baltimore and Harford, for a road. From certain stockholders in the Havre-de-Grace Bank, that nine directors may be elected. From sundry inhabitants of Cecil, for the establishment of a library company. From the trustees of West Nottingham Academy, for a lottery. From James Jackson, of Cecil, that a deed may be executed. From the silversmiths of the city of Baltimore, for alterations in the act fixing the quality of silver plate. From Samuel Lukins, of Montgomery, for the re-hearing a cause in chancery. Severally read.

Mr. Stonestreet delivers a favourable report on petition of the heirs of Gen. J. H. Stone. Read.

The clerk of the senate delivers the bill to lay out and open a road in Frederick and Montgomery counties—passed. The further supplement to the act for quieting possessions, &c. And the bill to provide for the appointment of commissioners for the regulation and improvement of Princess-Ann; passed with amendments—agreed to. The bill to provide for the erection of a new court-house in Hager's town—passed with an amendment—read. Also the following resolutions:

By the Senate Jan. 9, 1816.

Whereas, The Legislatures of Massachusetts and Connecticut, have proposed, that the seven propositions of amendment to the Constitution of the United States, be submitted to the several states, in the words following, to wit:

First. Representatives and direct taxes shall be apportioned among the several states which may be included within this Union, according to their respective numbers of free persons, including those bound to serve for a term of years, and excluding Indians not taxed, and all other persons.

Second. No new State shall be admitted into the Union by Congress, in virtue of the power granted by the constitution, without the concurrence of two thirds of both houses.

Third. Congress shall not have power to lay any embargo on the ships or vessels of the citizens of

the United States, in the Ports or harbours thereof, for more than sixty days.

Fourth. Congress shall not have power, without the concurrence of two thirds of both houses, to interdict the commercial intercourse between the United States and any foreign nation, or the dependencies thereof.

Fifth. Congress shall not make or declare war, or authorise acts of hostility against any foreign nation, without the concurrence of two thirds of both houses, except such acts of hostility be in defence of the Territories of the United States, when actually invaded.

Sixth. No person who shall hereafter be naturalized, shall be eligible as a member of the Senate or House of Representatives of the United States, nor capable of holding any civil office, under the authority of the United States.

Seventh. The same person shall not be elected President of the United States a second time, nor shall the President be elected from the same State two terms in succession.

Therefore, Resolved, By the General Assembly of Maryland, that the said seven several propositions of amendment to the Constitution of the United States, be and the same are hereby rejected.

Resolved, That the Governor be and he is hereby required, to transmit copies of the above resolution to the Executives of the several States.

By order, THOS. ROGERS, Clk.

Which was read. The house resumed the consideration of the bill to pay the civil list for the year 1815; after filling up the blank relating to the Printer's salary with \$1300, and making several amendments, the house adjourned.

Wednesday, Jan. 10.

The consideration of the bill to pay the civil list for year 1815, being resumed, and further amended, the same was passed—yeas 58, nays 8.

On motion by Mr. Little, the following resolution was read.

Resolved, That the governor of this state cause a correct copy of the act passed at the present session of assembly, entitled, An act repealing the 4th section of an act to incorporate a company to make an artificial road therein mentioned, to be forwarded to the governor of the commonwealth of Pennsylvania, with a request that the same may be communicated to the legislature of the said commonwealth.

On motion by Mr. Stansbury, the following preamble and resolutions were read:

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, January 10th, 1816.

While the General Assembly of Maryland look back with admiration on the glorious achievements of the American arms generally, during the late war between the United States and Great Britain, they cannot but feel a just pride in the recollection, particularly, of the distinguished gallantry of Col. George E. Mitchell, Col. Jacob Hindman, and Lieut. Col. Nathan Towson, native sons of Maryland; therefore as a tribute to their valour from the State which gave them birth, and as an evidence of the high sense entertained by this Legislature of their meritorious conduct,

Be it resolved, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That his Excellency the Governor be and is hereby required, to have purchased and presented to each of them, an elegant sword, suitable to officers of their rank, with such devices and emblems as he may think adapted to the occasion.

And, while this legislature is conferring on the above named gallant sons of the state they represent, this well earned distinction, their attention is irresistibly drawn to the brave commander of Fort M'Henry, whose invincible constancy in maintaining that important post intrusted by his country to his gallantry and military experience, during the tremendous bombardment on the 13th and 14th of September 1814, by the British Fleet, in which the respective forces engaged were as unequal as was the result in honour to the one, and in disgrace and discomfiture to the other, hereby adding another laurel to his country's fame, and entitling him to the admiration of all his countrymen, but more especially to that of the good people of this State, who witnessed

his firmness, and now enjoy the advantages it continued to preserve.

Therefore, be it resolved, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That his Excellency the Governor be and he is hereby required, to have purchased and presented to Lieut. Col. George Armistead, an elegant sword, suitable to his rank, with such emblems and devices as he may think adapted to the occasion.

And be it further resolved, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the treasurer of the western shore pay to the order of the Governor, out of any unappropriated money in the treasury, so much as will enable him to carry into effect the foregoing resolutions.

By order, LOUIS GASSAWAY, Clk.

Read. The clerk of the senate delivers the bill to appoint Thomas R. Hodges trustee, for the sale of a certain tract of land, and the bill to establish a bank in Westminster; passed with amendments; agreed to. The supplement to the act to authorise the levy court of Baltimore county to assess and levy a sum of money for the purposes therein mentioned—will not pass.

The bill to incorporate the Somerset Manufacturing Company—passed with an amendment—read. A bill to give effect to a compromise in certain actions of ejectment in the circuit court of the United States for the district of Maryland, passed—read. The resolution in favour of Samuel Price—assented to with an amendment—agreed to. And the following message:

Gen. of the H. Del.

We propose on this day, at two o'clock, if agreeable to your house, to proceed to the election of a Senator to represent this state in the senate of the United States, agreeably to the constitution thereof, in the manner proposed by your message of the 12th of December last.

Read.

On motion by Mr. Little, the following message was read. Gen. of the Senate.

We have received your message of this morning proposing to go into an election for senator of the U. States at two o'clock. We accede to your proposition, and have appointed and on the part of this house to count the ballots.

On motion, the question was put, That the said message now have a second reading? Determined in the negative—yeas 29, nays 38.

#### PETITIONS.

From Parker Bowen, of Calvert, for further time to complete the collections of the late Benj. Y. Bowen. From Eleanor Gott, of Calvert, for a support. From John S. Belt, of Anne-Arundel, a revolutionary officer. From John Gassaway, of Annapolis, a revolutionary officer. From George Rinehart, of Allegany, for the execution of a deed. From Walter W. Harwood, of P. George's, for a special act of insolvency. From sundry inhabitants of Caroline, to discontinue a road. From John Davis, of Talbot, for a special act of insolvency. From sundry silver-smiths & watch-makers in Baltimore, for alterations in the act regulating the quality of silver plate. From Thomas H. Dorsey and Thomas W. Hall, for the sale of certain negroes. From William Roston, of the city of Baltimore, for a special act of insolvency. From Nimrod Owings, to sell certain negroes. From sundry inhabitants of Harford and Cecil, and Lancaster and Chester counties in Pennsylvania, for a bridge across the river Susquehanna. Severally referred.

Mr. R. Dorsey delivers a favourable report on the petition of Larkin Shipley. Mr. Lecompte in favour of Richard Waters. Read.

Mr. Neale delivers a supplement to the act to incorporate certain persons in every christian church or congregation in this state.

Mr. Stodder a bill for regulating divorces. Severally read.

Adjourned.

Thursday, Jan. 11.

Mr. Beall delivers a favourable report on the petition of John Gassaway. Read.

Mr. Forwood delivers a bill supplementary to an act to incorporate a company for the purpose of building a bridge over the river Susquehanna. Read.

A memorial from Christopher Hughes, counter to the petition of Thomas Baltzell and Edward Johnson. From the Inspectors of the Penitentiary for a sum of money to erect additional work-shops, &c. Read.

From Sarah Alexander, and her husband, for the sale of certain lands in Baltimore. A memorial from the judges of the orphans court, Queen-Anne's, for furnishing an office with record books, &c. From Henry Hicks, that the state may relinquish its right to a certain tract of land in Annapolis. From George Calvert, of P. George's, to make a deed. Severally referred.

Leave given to bring in a supplement to the act for incorporating the City Bank of Baltimore.

Mr. Bowles delivers the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the legislature of the commonwealth of Pennsylvania, be, and it is hereby requested, interpose its authority in such manner as its wisdom and justice shall dictate, to prevent the employment or harbouring of runaway negroes by the citizens of the said commonwealth, and to facilitate the recovering them by their real owners.

Resolved, That the governor be requested to transmit a copy of the foregoing resolution to the Executive of the commonwealth of Pennsylvania, with a request that the same be laid before the legislature thereof.

Read. The bill from the senate to authorise Philemon Towson, and Sebastian Graff to dispose of certain property, was read the second time, passed, and returned to the senate.

Mr. Hughes delivers an unfavourable report on the petition of Nimrod Owings. Mr. R. Dorsey a report in favour of John S. Belt. Read.

Leave given to bring in a further supplement to the act to regulate and discipline the militia of this state.

Mr. Duvall delivers a report on the petition of William Rost, an armourer, referring his claim to the governor and council. Contained in.

The clerk of senate delivers a bill for the relief of Samuel M'Clintock—passed. The bill to authorise the sale of the real estate therein mentioned, and the bill for the benefit of the heirs of Benjamin DeFord—passed with amendments—agreed to. The bill to incorporate the President and managers of the Calvert Turnpike road—passed with amendments. Read. And a bill for the benefit of Sarah Clatsop—passed. Read.

Mr. Schenck delivers a bill to increase the capital stock in Hager's-town Bank. Read.

Adjourned.

Friday, Jan. 12.

#### PETITIONS.

From Philip Spalding of Prince George's, to be compensated for loss sustained in the burning of his house. From Matilda Drury, of Calvert, for a divorce. From Albert Stevens, of Queen-Anne's, convey land. From Abner Bassett and others, for compensation for damage of a vessel by the sinking during the late war. From Pringle, of Harford, to repeal an act for extending Green-street in Baltimore. Referred.

Mr. Griffith delivers a report in favour of Zadock Harvey. Read.

The bill annulling the marriage of Augustus Grahame, and wife, was read the second time and will pass.

Mr. Kilgour delivers a bill to incorporate a company to make a turnpike road from Monacaury through Montgomery county, to Poplar Springs. Mr. A. D. Mitchell a supplement to the act to take persons conscientiously scrupulous of taking an oath to serve as jurors.

Read. Mr. W. Stewart a supplement to an act respecting a memorial or statue to the memory of Washington; twice read, and passed.

Leave given to bring in a supplement to the act relating to absentees.

The bill for the extension of Pratt and Lombard streets in the city of Baltimore, was made the order of the day for Friday the 19th.

The bill from the senate for amending and passing.

From Samuel Frazier, of Harford, a revolutionary soldier. From Charley Dent, of Charles, for the sale of a part of the real estate of Henry Dent. From Zachariah MacCobb, of Montgomery, for a special act of insolvency. From Anna Wright, of Queen-Anne's, to

cancel A. Berry—will not pass. The supplement to the act for the benefit of the widow and children of Thomas Gibson—passed with amendments; agreed to. Also a further supplement to the act to establish a bank, and incorporate a company, under the name of The Elk-head Bank of Matyland—passed.

Mr. Hughes delivers a supplement to the act to incorporate a company to make a turnpike road leading to Amberland, &c. Mr. Stansbury a supplement to the act to extend South street in the city of Baltimore. Read.

Mr. Hughes delivers a report unfavourable to the petition of Luther Martin, Esq. Read.

Adjourned.

Saturday, Jan. 13.

The bill to incorporate a company to make a turnpike road from or near Baltimore city, through Liberty-town, to Hager's town, was read the second time, amended and passed.

The clerk of the senate delivers a bill for the benefit of James Howell, with an amendment; disjunctive from an amendment. A bill relative to the administration of justice, and a bill to authorise the sale of the real estate therein mentioned—passed—Read. A letter from the Register of land office at the western shore, relative to rates received in his office. Read.

As the bill to pay the civil list for the year 1815—will not pass. And the following message: Gen. of the H. of Del.

The senate have received the bill which passed your house, appropriating money in the treasury for the purchase of the civil list, and other expenses of civil government, for the year 1815. Matters being read with that bill which in their opinion are not necessary to such application upon the true construction of the constitution. The senate have rejected it upon the ground of its being in their opinion a motion for money in the treasury for the purchase of the civil list, and that therefore the incorporation of such unnecessary matter is unconstitutional.

They hope, upon reconsideration you will expunge such objectionable matter; at the same time the senate wish it to be understood by your house, that they are perfectly willing to pass a law enforcing a faithful performance of the duties of the printer to the state. Read.

On motion by Mr. Kilgour, the following resolutions were read:

By the House of Delegates, Jan. 13th, 1816.

Resolved, by the House of Delegates of Maryland, Elected with a view to the present state of public affairs, and that the want of firmness, energy & wisdom, which characterised the political conduct of the President of the United States in the progress of the late war, was only equalled by the folly, want of foresight, and disregard of the plainest rights and interests of the people of this country, which marked its commencement, and deserves our severest censure and animadversion; and that the prompt acceptance of a treaty containing a virtual abandonment of all the objects for which the war was professed to be declared, but too plainly shews, that the real causes and objects of it had no connection with our national honour and independence.

Resolved, That the blood and treasure exhausted in the late unhappy conflict, whether for conquest or glory, have left the people of the United States no remunerating benefit; and that, while with becoming patience and submission we bear the additional burden of taxation, thus imposed upon us by a course of policy alike ruinous and wicked, we entertain the liveliest fear and alarm for the future fate of this country, in the continuance in office of those who have betrayed the high trust reposed in them, and who, guided by an ambition selfish and unprincipled, only wait for an occasion to increase the weight of our burden, and to renounce all the miseries, dangers, and sufferings, from which we have lately escaped by the providential dispensation of the Great Tyrant of Europe, who so long baulched peace, order and happiness from the world.

By order, LOUIS GASSAWAY, Clk.

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