

pointment, but propose, with the concurrence of your body, to make the appointment on Wednesday next at 1 o'clock.

By order,

R. HARWOOD, Clk.

Which was read.

The bill, entitled, An act authorising a lottery for raising a sum of money to repair the churches in King and Queen Parish in Saint-Mary's county, and to purchase a giebe, was read the second time, passed, and sent to the senate.

Mr. Frey delivers a petition from Elisha Harris, praying that a deed of conveyance from Sannel Temple to him may be made valid; which was read and referred to Messrs. Frey, A. D. Mitchell and Thomas.

The house proceeded to the second reading of the bill, entitled, An act for the valuation of real and personal property in Anne-Arundel and Somerset counties.

On motion by Mr. Hambleton, Talbot county was inserted in the bill.

On motion by Mr. Hambleton, the following section was inserted at the end of the bill: "And be it enacted, That Anthony Banning, William H. Tilghman, Thomas Stevens, John Edmondson and Charles Gibson, be and they are hereby created and appointed commissioners of the tax for Talbot county, in place of the present board of commissioners, whose power and authority as such is hereby made null and void; and the said Anthony Banning, William H. Tilghman, Thomas Stevens, John Edmondson and Charles Gibson, are hereby authorised and empowered to carry into full effect and operation all the provisions of this act, and the act of eighteen hundred and twelve, entitled, An act for the valuation of real and personal property in the several counties of this state."

The bill being read throughout, as amended, the question was put, Shall the said bill pass? Resolved in the affirmative, and the bill sent to the senate.

The bill, entitled, An act to alter and change the place of holding the elections in the first election district in Harford county, was read the second time, passed, and sent to the senate.

Mr. Wm. Stewart delivers a bill, entitled, An additional supplement to the act, entitled, An act respecting a monument or statue to the memory of Washington. Mr. Harrison a bill, entitled, An act for the relief of Robert Oldson of Queen-Anne's county; and Mr. Long a bill, entitled, An act for the encouragement of internal improvement; which were severally read.

On motion by Mr. Lanham, Leave given to bring in a bill supplementary to an act, entitled, An act to reduce into one the several acts of assembly respecting elections and to regulate said elections. Ordered, That Messrs. Lanham, Callis, Bowles, I. Mitchell, Dunn, Roberts and Blakistone, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

Mr. Prather delivers a petition from sundry inhabitants of the north and south branches of Potomac, and country adjacent, praying for a lottery to raise a sum of money for building bridges across the north branch and south branch of Potomac, and across a creek called Town creek in Allegany county, and for other purposes; which was read and referred to Messrs. Prather, Ridgely and Tomlinson.

Mr. Bradford delivers a petition from Samuel Frazier, of Harford county, a soldier of the revolutionary war, praying compensation for his services; which was read and referred to Messrs. Bradford, H. Hall and Sewell.

The bill, entitled, An act for draining a branch on Chester river commonly called and known by the name of the Unicorn Branch, was read the second time by special order, passed, and sent to the senate.

Mr. Quinton delivers a petition from William Niblett, a soldier in the revolutionary war, praying relief; which was read and referred to Messrs. Quinton, Handy and I. Mitchell.

Mr. Bradford delivers a bill, entitled, An act for the benefit of Robert Kerr, James Hogstin and William Alexander, of Harford county; which was read.

The bill, entitled, An act to authorise a lottery in Frederick-Town in Frederick county, was read the second time, passed, and sent to the senate.

Mr. Semmes delivers a bill, entitled, An act to straighten and make public a road in Prince-George's county; which was read the first and second time by special order, passed, and sent to the senate.

Mr. Potts delivers a bill, entitled, An act to locate and make public the road connecting the road leading from William's ferry with Market-street in Frederick-Town, Frederick county; which was read.

Mr. Semmes delivers a bill, entitled, An act to alter, change and repeal, all such parts of the constitution and form of government of this state as relate to the division of Prince-George's county into election districts; which was read.

On motion by Mr. Stoddert, Leave given to bring in a bill, entitled, A further supplement to the act, entitled, An act relating to negroes, and to repeal the acts of assembly therein mentioned, and the several supplements thereto. Ordered, That Messrs. Stoddert, Blakistone, Semmes, Handy and Dennis, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

On motion by Mr. Dennis, Leave given to bring in a bill, entitled, An act authorising the levy court of Somerset county to sell certain slaves who survive the time of their confinement in the penitentiary. Ordered, That Messrs. Dennis, Long and Haynie, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

On motion by Mr. Potts, the following message was read, assented to, and sent to the senate.

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, December 14, 1816.

*Gentlemen of the Senate,*

We have received your message proposing to go into the election at one o'clock on Wednesday next, of a senator to fill the vacancy from this state in the senate of the United States, occasioned by the resignation of the honourable Robert G. Harper, and agree to the time proposed in your message for that election.

By order,

L. GASSAWAY, Clk.

Mr. R. K. Watts delivers a bill, entitled, An act to regulate justices of the peace and constables fees in criminal cases in Montgomery county; which was read.

Mr. R. Dorsey delivers a petition from Elisha Brown, of Anne-Arundel county, a militia captain, praying compensation for services rendered in the late war; which was read and referred to Messrs. R. Dorsey, Sellman and Duvall.

Mr. Harrison delivers a bill, entitled, An act to establish a bank and incorporate a company under the name of the Centreville Bank of Maryland; which was read.

Mr. Stoddert delivers a bill, entitled, An act to provide for the appointment of an agent to settle the claims of this state with the government of the United States; which was read.