

Mr. Stoddert delivers a petition from the Sisters of Charity of Saint Joseph's, in Frederick county, praying for an act of incorporation; which was read and referred to Messrs. Stoddert, Jenkins, Potts, Howard and Semmes.

Mr. Kell delivers a petition from Henry Smith, praying to be exonerated from the payment of certain fines imposed on him by the Court of Oyer and Terminer and Gaol Delivery for Baltimore county; and petitions from William Seaver, William C. Rogers, John Pierpoint, Joseph L. Lord, and John Neal, of the city of Baltimore, praying special acts of insolvency; which were severally read and referred to Messrs. Kell, Blakistone and Harrison.

Mr. Stoddert delivers a bill, entitled, An act to incorporate the Sisters of Charity of Saint Joseph's in Frederick county; which was read.

Mr. Kell delivers a petition from Benjamin Williams, keeper of the Maryland Penitentiary, praying for an increase of his salary; which was read and referred to Messrs. Kell, Dennis and Potts.

Mr. Sellman delivers a bill, entitled, An act to lay out and open a road in Anne-Arundel county; which was read.

Mr. Williams delivers a petition from sundry inhabitants of Washington county, praying for a law to incorporate a company to lay out and turnpike a road on the nearest practicable route from Boonsborough in said county to the Conococheague creek at William's port; which was read and referred to Messrs. Williams, Bowles and Schnebly.

The clerk of the senate delivers the following message:

BY THE SENATE, December 19, 1816.

Gentlemen of the House of Delegates,

We agree to adjourn from to morrow to Monday the 30th inst. as proposed in your message of yesterday.

By order,

R. HARWOOD, Clk.

Which was read.

The 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, was read the second time, passed, and sent to the senate.

Mr. Potts delivers a petition from the trustees of the Moravian Society in Frederick county, praying for an act of incorporation; which was read and referred to Messrs. Potts, Davis and Taney.

The report of the committee recommending to the general government the adoption of measures to prevent or limit the exportation of grain, was read the second time, concurred in, and the resolutions therein contained assented to.

On motion by Mr. Taney, the question was put, That leave be given to bring in a bill, entitled, An act to abolish all such parts of the constitution and form of government as relate to the time and manner of electing the senate and the mode of filling up vacancies in that body? The yeas and nays being required appeared as follows:

AFFIRMATIVE.					
Mr Speaker	Jenkins	Hart	Roberts	Sewell	Bowles
Dunn	Posey	Griffith	Meconnikin	Bradford	Schnebly
Whittington	Warner	Beard	Harrison	H Hall	Watkins
Sellman	Harryman	A D Mitchell	Stevens	Driver	Lanham
Dorsey	Price	Thomas	Handy	Houston	R K Watts
H Dorsey	Showers	Frey	Potts	Culbreth	Washington
Stewart	Hands	Somerville	Taney	W Stewart	Ridgely
Chew	Banning	Callis	Howard	Kell	Prather
Turner	Long	Duvall	Davis	Williams	Tomlinson
Stoddert	Pitt				56
NEGATIVE.					
Scott	Blakistone	Horrell	Dennis	Haynie	Lecompte
Watts	Causin				8

So it was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That Messrs. Taney, Causin, Beard, Hambleton and Williams, be a committee to prepare and bring in the said bill.

Mr. R. K. Watts delivers a bill, entitled, An act to regulate justices and constables fees in criminal process in the several counties herein after mentioned; which was read.

Mr. Warner delivers a bill, entitled, An act to open and extend Pine street in the western precincts of Baltimore; which was read.

The bill, entitled, An act to repeal and alter that part of the constitution and form of government as relates to the division of Dorchester county into three separate election districts; the bill, entitled, An additional supplement to the act, entitled, An act respecting a monument or statue to the memory of Washington, and the bill, entitled, An act authorising Ariana Hall of the city of Baltimore, to remove a certain negro boy from N. Orleans to this state, were severally read the second time, passed, and sent to the senate.

The house proceeded to the second reading of the bill, entitled, An act for the relief of James Lee Morgan of Harford county. On motion by Mr. Potts, the further consideration of the said bill was postponed until the 15th of January next.

Mr. A. D. Mitchell delivers a petition from John Williams of Cecil county, praying that his title to certain lands in said county purchased by him of Thomas and Charles Green may be made valid; which was read and referred to Messrs. A. D. Mitchell, Beard and Frey. Also a petition from sundry inhabitants of Cecil county, praying for certain alterations in the law passed at the last session to establish a turnpike road from the scite of the bridge on Susquehanna up Steel's hollow; which was read and referred to Messrs. A. D. Mitchell, Kell, Thomas, H. Hall and Frey.

Mr. Dennis delivers a bill, entitled, An act for the relief of William Fleming and Josiah W. Heath, of Somerset county; which was read the first and second time by special order, passed, and sent to the senate.

The report in favour of William Hughlett of Caroline county, was read the second time, and the question put, That the house concur with the report and assent to the resolution therein contained? Determined in the negative.