

Also a communication enclosing a statement shewing the supposed deficiency in the revenue, for the year 1820, after having added the sum of one hundred thousand dollars received from the United States subsequent to the period to which the accounts of the treasury department were closed; which were read.

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

THURSDAY, December 9, 1819.

The house met. Present the same members as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read. Thomas Blake, Esquire, a delegate returned for Calvert county, appeared, qualified, and took his seat.

Mr. Maulsby presents a petition from Doctor Skipwith Coale, of Harford county, praying that the proceedings of the commissioners appointed by Harford county court for the sale of Richard Hawkins real estate, may be confirmed; which was read and referred to Messrs. Maulsby, Forwood and Norris.

Mr. Gaither presents a petition from John Evely, of Montgomery county, praying for support; which was read and referred to Messrs. Gaither, Forrest and Washington.

Mr. Peter presents a petition from Mary Ann W. Hayward, of Montgomery county, stating that she has obtained an escheat warrant to affect the real estate of her deceased husband, and praying a relinquishment of the state's interest therein; which was read and referred to Messrs. Peter, Forrest and Washington.

Also a petition from Robert Soaper, of Montgomery county, praying a special act of insolvency; which was read and referred to Messrs. Peter, Forrest and Washington.

Mr. W. Price presents a petition from Elizabeth Larence, of Allegany, praying for a divorce; which was read and referred to Messrs. Price, Tomlinson and Greenwell.

The speaker laid before the house communications from the clerk of the court of appeals, for the western shore, and the clerks of Allegany, Harford, Queen Anne's, Montgomery, Worcester, Caroline and Calvert counties, relative to the attendance of judges; and a representation from the grand jury of Montgomery county court, relative to the time of the meeting of the said court; which were read and referred to the committee of grievances and courts of justice.

On motion by Mr. Quinton, Leave given to bring in a bill, entitled, An act to repeal so much of an act to alter and amend the act, entitled, An act for the encouragement of such persons as will undertake to build water mills. Ordered, That Messrs. Quinton, King and J. Spence, prepare and bring in the same.

Mr. Breckenridge presents a petition from Ann E. Tilden, praying a divorce; which was read and referred to Messrs. Breckenridge, Kennedy and H. Hall.

Also a petition from the Jackson Society, praying to be incorporated; which was read and referred to the committee appointed on the petition of the Franklin Beneficial Society.

Mr. Dashiell presents petitions from sundry inhabitants of Somerset and Worcester counties, praying that the law prohibiting swine from going at large in the town of Salisbury may be repealed; and Mr. Quinton presents a petition counter thereto; which were read and referred to Messrs. Dashiell, Polk, Dennis, Quinton and A. Spence.

Mr. Kennedy presents a petition from sundry inhabitants of Hagers Town, praying for a repeal of the 4th section of an act passed December 23d 1813, relative to the old court house; and Mr. Keller presents a petition counter thereto; which were read and referred to Messrs. Kennedy, Keller and Schnebly.

Mr. Kennedy presents petitions from sundry citizens of Washington county, praying that it be made the duty of the supervisors of the public roads to erect indexes or finger boards at cross roads, or where roads fork; which was read and referred to Messrs. Kennedy, Saulsbury and Gabby.

Mr. Jenifer presents a petition from Paul Minitree, a revolutionary soldier; which was read and referred to the committee on pensions and revolutionary claims.

Mr. Harrison presents a petition from George Mason, of Queen Anne's county, praying for a division of the real estate which descended from his father, sister and mother, between the legal representatives; which was read and referred to Messrs. Harrison, Nicholson and Wm. R. Stuart.

Mr. Montgomery presents a memorial from the managers of the Washington Monument, praying that they may be authorised to draw their lotteries at pleasure, and that the same be exempt from tax; which was read and referred to Messrs. Montgomery, Orrick, A. Price, Breckenridge and Forwood.

Mr. Forwood presents a petition from William Pyle and James Thomas, of Harford county, praying that they may be authorised to convey certain lands to the assignee of Thomas Henderson; which was read and referred to Messrs. Forwood, Maulsby and H. Hall.

Mr. Forwood presents a petition from Christian Berg, and others, of Harford county, praying damages sustained by them, by a road through their lands, or that the same be altered and changed; which was read and referred to Messrs. Forwood, Maulsby, Orrick, H. Hall and Norris.

Mr. W. R. Stuart presents a petition from Nelly Secgar, a coloured woman, of Queen Anne's county, praying that a deed of manumission given to her by her mistress may be recorded; which was read and referred to Messrs. W. R. Stuart, Harrison and Nicholson.

Mr. A. Spence presents a petition from Martha Williams, praying she may be entitled to her right dower in the estate of her deceased husband, which is withheld from her by her present husband; which was read and referred to Messrs. A. Spence, Montgomery and Quinton.

Mr. Maulsby delivers the following report.

The committee appointed to report rules proper to be observed during this session, beg leave to submit the following:

- 1st. At the hour appointed for sitting, the roll of the house shall be called over, and the absent members, if any, sent for.
- 2d. Every member shall take his seat, uncovered, when the speaker takes his chair.
- 3d. Every member, who shall deliver his opinion, or speak in any debate, shall rise, and respectfully address himself to the speaker or chairman, as it may be.
- 4th. No member, at the time of speaking in debate, shall name any other by his proper name, or shall use some other distinction.
- 5th. If two or more members shall rise to speak at the same time, the speaker shall determine who shall speak first.

6th. No member shall speak on a question.

7th. Any member who shall speak on a question, shall be called to order.

8th. When the speaker is called to order, he shall be called to order.

9th. No motion shall be made, or seconded, or put, or carried, or rejected, or amended, or withdrawn, or referred, or postponed, or adjourned, or any other business shall be done, until the speaker has given his assent.

10th. When a question is put, the speaker shall give the yeas and nays, unless he shall be otherwise directed.

11th. Every question shall be decided by a majority of the members present.

12th. The yeas and nays shall be taken on any question, if so ordered.

13th. If a question is put, and the yeas and nays are not taken, the question shall be decided by a majority of the members present.

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16th. Every question shall be decided by a majority of the members present.

17th. Confer by ballot, and the yeas and nays shall be taken.

18th. No bill shall be passed, except by a majority of the members present.

19th. No petition shall be received, unless it be presented by a member.

20th. All questions shall be decided by a majority of the members present.

21st. No motion shall be made, or seconded, or put, or carried, or rejected, or amended, or withdrawn, or referred, or postponed, or adjourned, or any other business shall be done, until the speaker has given his assent.

22d. All motions shall be decided by a majority of the members present.

23d. No member shall speak on a question, unless he shall be called to order.

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25th. The speaker shall give the yeas and nays, unless he shall be otherwise directed.

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