

Mr. Maffett presents a petition from Frisby Henderson of Cecil county, praying that he and his wife may be authorised to convey certain land to Robert Walmsley, and to receive a conveyance from said Walmsley for certain land, agreeably to an exchange made between him and John Gilpin, deceased; which was read and referred to Messrs. Maffett, Maulsby and Mackey.

Mr. Wm. Price presents a petition from Moses Beeman, of Allegany county, praying that a deed from Thomas Parkinson to him may be recorded; which was read and referred to Messrs. Wm. Price, Maulsby and Greenwell.

Mr. Millard delivers a bill, entitled, An act for the relief of Mary Dean of Saint-Mary's county; and Mr. Peter delivers a bill, entitled, An act for the benefit of Mary Ann W. Haymond, of Montgomery county; which were read.

The house proceeded to the second reading of the report of the committee of elections and privileges, and on motion by Mr. Boyle, the question was put, That the house concur with the first part of the said report until it includes Allegany county? Resolved in the affirmative.

On motion by Mr. Boyle, the question was put, That the first resolution be so amended as to read as follows, to wit: Resolved, that the house have the power to coerce a witness, first proved by other testimony not to be a qualified and legal voter, to give evidence of the persons for whom he voted at said elections? Resolved in the affirmative.

On motion by Mr. Polk, the question was put, That the words "and the constitutional right," be inserted in said resolution after the words "have the power?" Resolved in the affirmative.

The question was then put, That the house assent to the said resolution? The yeas and nays being required appeared as follow:

| AFFIRMATIVE. | | | | | | |
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| Mr. Speaker | Stevens | Jackson | W R Stuart | Riley | Saulsbury | Kellar |
| Millard | N Martin | Wroth | Harrison | Iams | Hardcastle | Gabby |
| E Browne | Orrick | Mackey | Hollingsworth | Hawkins | Willis | Kennedy |
| Brooke | A H Price | Maffett | Nicholson | Maulsby | Whitely | Peter |
| Marriott | Showers | Patten | A Spence | Norris | Montgomery | Tomlinson |
| T W Hall | Lecompte | Cross | J S Spence | H Hall | Breckenridge | W Price |
| C Stewart | Lucas | R T Hall | Quinton | Forwood | Schnobly | Greenwell |
| D Martin | Griffith | Boyle | | | | 52 |
| NEGATIVE. | | | | | | |
| Blakistone | Spencer | Dorsey | Polk | F M Hall | Warfield | Washington |
| Plater | Stonestreet | Garner | Dennis | Somervell | Ross | Forrest |
| J F Browne | Jenifer | Dashiell | King | Duvall | Gaither | Blair |

So it was resolved in the affirmative.

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

THURSDAY, December 16, 1819.

The house met. Present the same members as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read.

The speaker laid before the house a communication from the president of the Baltimore and Reister's-town road company; which was read and referred to the committee appointed on bank communications.

Mr. Orrick presents a petition from William P Matthews, and Eliza his wife, of Baltimore county, praying that the money due to said Eliza from her mother's estate, may be applied towards the payment of land purchased by her; which was read and referred to Messrs. Orrick, Breckenridge and A. H. Price.

Mr. Montgomery presents a petition from the stockholders of the City Bank of Baltimore, praying said bank may be exempt from tax; which was read and referred to the committee appointed on bank communications.

Mr. Montgomery presents a petition from the trustees of Federal Hill Sunday School, in the city of Baltimore, praying that \$800 now in the hands of Judge Brice as a school fund, may be appropriated to their use; which was read and referred to the committee appointed on a similar subject.

Mr. Duvall presents a petition from Abraham G Hammond, of the city of Annapolis, stating that he is a revolutionary soldier, and praying relief; which was read and referred to Messrs. Duvall, Montgomery and Boyle.

Mr. Saulsbury delivers a bill, entitled, An act for the benefit of Henry Straughan, an insane child of Priscilla Straughan, of Caroline county; which was read the first and second time by especial order and passed.

The speaker laid before the house a report from the cashier of The Planters Bank of Prince George's county; which was read and referred to the committee appointed on bank communications.

The clerk of the senate delivers a bill, entitled, An act for the relief of the securities of William S. Handy, endorsed "will pass." Ordered to be engrossed. And the resolution relative to the inspection of arms at Easton, endorsed, "assented to."

Mr. D. Martin presents a petition from Joseph Bush, of Talbot county, a revolutionary soldier; which was read and referred to the committee on pensions and revolutionary claims.

Mr. Kennedy delivers a bill, entitled, An act authorising and requiring the erection of indexes or finger boards throughtout this state. Mr. Greenwell delivers a bill, entitled, An act for the relief of Elizabeth Masters of Allegany county. Mr. Quinton delivers a bill, entitled, An act for the benefit of Teakle Taylor of Worcester county. Mr. Jenifer delivers a bill, entitled, An act to authorise the judges of the first judicial district to convey the lands therein mentioned; and a bill entitled, An act to authorise the recording a deed therein mentioned; which were severally read.

The bill to incorporate the Mechanical Benevolent Society of Chester-town, Maryland, and the supplement to the act for the better protection of slaveholders in the several counties therein mentioned, were read the second time, passed, and sent to the senate.

On motion by Mr. Lecompte, Leave given to bring in a bill, entitled, A supplementary act to the act to reduce into one the several acts of assembly respecting elections, and to regulate said elections. Ordered, That Messrs. Lecompte, Harrison, Quinton, Hardcastle, Dennis, Wroth and Spencer prepare and bring in the same.