

opinion that legislative interference, as prayed for, is unnecessary, inasmuch as the case is fully embraced and provided for in the proviso contained in the statute of James the first, chapter the 7th, which is an act of assembly passed at April session 1706, entitled, An act declaring several acts of parliament made in the kingdom of England, to be in force within this province, is extended to, and now is in full force in the state of Maryland; the case of the petitioner being clearly within the letter and spirit of the proviso, her intermarriage with Kline has ceased long since to be binding, and she is to every intent and purpose released therefrom, in as full a manner, as if an act declaring her released *a vinculo matrimonii* had passed the legislature. Your committee therefore ask to be discharged from the further consideration of said petition, and that the petitioner have leave to withdraw her petition.

By order,

J. IRELAND, Clk.

Which was read.

The clerk of the senate delivers the bill authorising William Robinson to remove his negroes from the state of Virginia into this state, endorsed, "will not pass." The bill to encourage the building of horn mills and wind-mills in Dorchester and Saint-Mary's counties, and the bill authorising Solomon Kirwan to complete his collections, severally endorsed, "will pass." Ordered to be engrossed.

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

FRIDAY, December 24, 1819.

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

On motion by Mr. Forrest, Ordered, That the act further supplementary to the act, entitled, An act for amending and reducing into system the laws and regulations concerning last wills and testaments have a second reading on the 3d January.

Mr. Hollingsworth presents a petition from sundry citizens of Queen-Anne's county, praying for a law to encourage the destruction of crows in said county; which was read and referred to Messrs. Hollingsworth, Nicholson and Wm R. Stuart.

Mr. Montgomery presents a petition from the stockholders of the Union Bank, praying for a law changing the mode of electing directors therein; which was read and referred to Messrs. Montgomery, Duvall and Breckenridge.

The bill authorising Richard Moffitt, late sheriff of Queen Anne's county, to complete his collections was read the second time and passed.

The speaker laid before the house a return of the clerk of Saint-Mary's county, relative to the attendance of judges; which was read and referred to the committee of grievances and courts of justice.

The house adjourns until Monday morning 9 o'clock.

MONDAY, December 27, 1819.

A sufficient number of members to form a quorum not appearing, the members present adjourn until to-morrow morning 9 o'clock.

TUESDAY, December 28, 1819.

A sufficient number of members to form a quorum not appearing, the members present adjourn until to-morrow morning 9 o'clock.

WEDNESDAY, December 29, 1819.

The house met. The proceedings from the 24th to the 28th instant inclusive, were read.

Mr. Millard presents a petition from Elizabeth Drury, of Saint-Mary's county, praying for support which was read and referred to Messrs. Millard, Blakistone and Key.

Mr. Polk presents petitions from sundry inhabitants of Somerset county, praying that the time holding the court of said county may not be changed; which were read and referred to Messrs. Polk, Dashiell and King.

Mr. Orrick presents a petition from sundry inhabitants of Baltimore county, praying a law may be passed to prevent justices of the peace from holding their meetings at taverns; which was read and referred to Messrs. Orrick, A. H. Price and Showers.

Mr. Keller presents a petition from Christiana Strause and Matthew Murray, executors of Her Highness Strause, late of Montgomery county, deceased, praying that the orphans court of Washington county may have power to pass claims against the said estate; which was read and referred to Messrs. Keller, Schnebly and Forrest.

Mr. Boyle delivers a bill, entitled, An act to open and extend East-street in the city of Annapolis, to close up that part of said street leading to Prince George street; which was read.

Mr. R. T. Hall presents a petition from Ann Hows of Prince-George's county, praying for support which was read and referred to Messrs. R. T. Hall, Cross and F. M. Hall.

Mr. Boyle delivers the following report:

The committee to whom was referred the petition of the heirs of General Davidson, deceased, have duly considered the same, deem it an object of mere justice that they should be reimbursed the sum advanced by their father, and which has been paid into the treasury. The committee therefore submit the following resolution:

Resolved, That the treasurer of the western shore pay to Anne J. Davidson, and Ninian Pinkney guardian to John J. Davidson, and Pinkney Davidson, for their use, or to their joint order, the sum of nine hundred and sixty-eight dollars, and eighty-seven cents, money advanced by the said General Davidson for proclamation warrants, out of any unappropriated money in the treasury.

By order,

T. POLLARD, Clk.

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