

successively made by Mr. Allen and Mr. Cosden, and the questions put, that the bill be withdrawn from the hands of the chair for amendment? Determined in the negative.

The question was then put, shall the said bill pass? Resolved in the affirmative.

On motion by Mr. Millard, the following message was read and assented to:

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, Jan 27, 1823

*Gentlemen of the Senate*—We have received your message of this day, appointing a committee to join the committee appointed by this house to take into consideration the report of the commissioners appointed to survey the river Potomac, and its branches, and concur therewith.

By order,

J. BREWER, Clk.

Mr. Sheredine reports a bill, entitled, An act to prevent the destruction of sheep in Cecil county; which was read.

Mr. Kilgour presents a petition from James White, a revolutionary soldier; read and referred to the committee on pensions and revolutionary claims.

Mr. Stone presents petitions praying for support for Sarah Brown, Mary Dorsey, Mary Kirby, Eleanor Bowling and Chloe Dart; read and referred to Messrs. Stone, Maddox and Millard. The house adjourns until to-morrow morning 9 o'clock.

TUESDAY, January 28, 1823.

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

The bill to establish a divisional line between Anne-Arundel and Calvert counties; the bill giving jurisdiction to justices of the peace in trespasses for killing, wounding or otherwise injuring horses, black cattle, hogs and sheep, and the message in reply to the one received from the senate proposing a joint committee on the report relative to the Potomac river, were sent to the senate.

Mr. Orrick reports a bill, entitled, A supplement to an act, entitled, An act to regulate and discipline the militia of this state; which was read.

Mr. Stansbury presents a petition from Zachariah Roberts; read and referred to the committee on pensions and revolutionary claims.

Mr. Purviance presents a petition from the Faculty of Arts and Sciences, in the University of Maryland, in Baltimore, praying pecuniary aid; read and referred to Messrs. Purviance, J. P. Kennedy and Allen.

Also a petition from John and Hugh M'Eldery, praying to be allowed to make a wharf; read and referred to Messrs. Purviance, Norris and J. P. Kennedy.

Mr. Saulsbury presents a petition from sundry inhabitants of the village of Denton, praying that the laws for the improvement of said village may be revived; read and referred to Messrs. Saulsbury, Casson and Boon.

Mr. Howard presents petitions from citizens of Anne-Arundel county, praying for another election district, and to enable them to elect a collector of the county tax for each election district in said county; which was read and ordered to lie on the table.

The bill to repeal such parts of the constitution and form of government as relates to the division of Anne-Arundel county into five election districts, and for other purposes, was read the second time, passed, and sent to the senate.

Mr. Cannell reports a bill, entitled, An act for the benefit of William Ussleton and Simon Beck, of Kent county, soldiers of the revolution; which was read.

The bill to prevent justices of the peace and constables of the city of Annapolis from having jurisdiction out of the limits of the said city, and for other purposes, and the bill allowing to Mary Wood, widow of John Wood, a right of dower in and to the land therein mentioned, were read the second time, and will not pass.

Mr. Jones reports a bill, entitled, An act to regulate the pay of the justices of the orphans' court for Somerset county; which was twice read, passed, and sent to the senate.

The clerk of the senate delivers the bill for the relief of George Yeaman, of the city of Baltimore, endorsed, "will pass." Ordered to be engrossed. And the bill for the relief of William Workman, of Allegany, endorsed, "will pass with the proposed amendments;" which were read.

Mr. Purviance reports a bill, entitled, An act to authorise Luther J. Cox and his wife, of Baltimore, to remove a house, and a bill, entitled, An act to incorporate an office for the deposit and exchange of current bank notes; which were read.

The bill for the relief of Thomas I. Perry, late of Allegany county, was read the second time, passed, and sent to the senate.

Mr. Purviance delivers the following report:

The committee to whom were referred so much of the governors message as relates to lotteries and lottery commissioners, beg leave to report, that they have had the same under their consideration, and are of opinion, that the resources of the state are sufficiently ample to meet all the demands on the treasury, without resorting to a system of state lotteries. Your committee think, that if the policy of allowing lotteries in the state be continued, it ought to be confined as heretofore, to the granting of them, only for the purpose of accomplishing such public good as cannot be done by the limited means of individuals. They therefore, recommend that the law authorising the drawing of state lotteries, and the law creating the office of lottery commissioners, be repealed. Your committee would also recommend, that in all private lotteries which the legislature may grant, that a tax of one per cent be levied on the amount of all prizes in said lotteries, and that the same be paid, or secured to be paid, to the treasurer of the Western Shore, before such lotteries be allowed to be drawn.

By order,

F. E. HAMBLETON, Clk.