

Mr. Worthington, from the committee, delivers to the speaker a bill, entitled, *An act respecting the free-school of Anne-Arundel county*; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Calvert, from the committee, delivers to the speaker a bill, entitled, *An act to empower the levy court of Prince-George's county to lay off a road in said county*; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Duckett, from the committee, delivers to the speaker the following message:

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, DECEMBER 31, 1799.

GENTLEMEN OF THE SENATE,

WE cannot at present determine the precise period when the session can be closed, but feel confident that it cannot be terminated by so early a day as Thursday next. We are endeavouring to complete the business before us, and hope we shall be able to conclude the session by Saturday next. The determination of the senate to act upon no private business after Wednesday is communicated to us at so late a period that we fear injustice might be done to individuals if rigidly adhered to. We shall send no business of that description to your house unless we think it may at this session require the interposition of the legislature. We flatter ourselves that a sense of public duty will enforce the attendance of the members of the senate until the session can with propriety be closed.

By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

Mr. Key, from the committee, delivers to the speaker the following report:

THE committee to whom were referred the petitions of sundry persons for the benefit of an act of insolvency report, that they have taken the several petitions into consideration, and find the following persons to have given requisite notice of their intended application to this assembly for relief, and no counter petition, or other opposition, appearing against them, your committee are of opinion they ought to be included in the general bill: Benjamin Gwinn Cole, of Saint-Mary's county; Matthew Greentree, John Betts, Hyland Gears and St. Leger Meeks, of Kent county; Henry Gassaway, Rezin Davidge and John Beard, of Anne-Arundel county; Thomas B. Clements and Vernon Smith, of Charles county; Joseph Burneston, Job Garretson, senior, John Kennedy, Alexander Coulter and Christopher Limes, of Baltimore county; James Wilton, junior, and William Sharp, of Talbot county; Medford Andrews and John Stanford, of Dorchester county; Jesse Reynolds and Jacob Bauldin, of Cecil county; John Tilley, Charles Lecompte Nevitt, Richard Ponsonby, Thomas Nevitt, William Magruder, William Reily, Edward Boteler, James Wilton, John Thomas Frost, David Rofs, Horatio Rofs, Redmond Grace and James Mewburn, of Prince-George's county; William Wootton Brewer, John Rigby and John R. Bryce, of the city of Annapolis; Henry Tate, Joseph M'Hard, Charles Ricketts, Samuel Brooks and Benjamin Skinner, of Queen-Anne's county; George Boner, Daniel Cost, Theodore Beall, Josias Clements, John Balzer, Isaac Nesmith, Jacob Keller and Andrew Haynar, of Frederick county; Benjamin Preston, Robert Gover, of Philip, Robert Harris, Samuel Willetts, James Osborn, Nathan Hughes, John Chamberlain, Samuel Chamberlain, Samuel W. Lee and John W. Wilton, of Harford county; Robert Dixon, James Courfey and Levin Charles, of Caroline county; John Doyle, William Paine, junior, Alexander White, Richard Warner, William Myers, James Ash, Samuel Foudray, John Kirwan, John Deaver, Reuben Allen, James Hutton, John Colston, Patrick Million, John Jenings, junior, John Young Daley, Christian Krause, Richard Bevan, Casper Kline, William Akew, George Deagan, William Russell, Henry Deagan, Lewis Bernard, Greenbury Neale, William H. Buell, John Brice, Walter S. Hunt, William Stonall, Matthew Clarke, Archibald Campbell, David Lund, William Smith, Thomas Buffey and James Kerr, of the city of Baltimore; Jonas M'Pherson and Richard Burrell, of Washington county; John Yates, Robert E. Yates, William Robertson, William Frazer, John N. Lovejoy, Bernard O'Neill, Edward Eno, John G. Hobbs, Evan Belt, John Fleming, John Long, Jonathan Browning, junior, and Joseph Beck, of Montgomery county; Abel Sarjent, Samuel Selby, 3d, Peter D'Evecmon and William W. Hoyer, of Allegany county; William Cranch, Thomas Y. Sprogeil and Samuel Baker, of the city of Washington.

The committee further report, that it does not appear to them that the following persons have given notice: Dennis Griffith, of Anne-Arundel county; Adam Murry Stewart, of Baltimore county; George Jenings, of the city of Annapolis; Abraham Jarrett, of Harford county; Nathan Cregg Bryson, of the city of Baltimore; Thomas Lingan and Thomas Nicholls, of John, of Montgomery county; and they further report, that counter petitions are exhibited against James Ringgold, of Kent county; Isaiah Dorman, of Somerset county; Moses Maccubbin, of the city of Annapolis; William Delafere, Robert Kent and John D. Chalabre, of the city of Baltimore; James M'Cardell, of Washington county; and Joseph Magruder, of Montgomery county.

The committee further report, that Samuel Williams and William Smith, of Montgomery county, have given notice, but they pray for an act of insolvency, and a confirmation of a trust deed executed by them for the use of their creditors; that Adam M. Stewart, of Baltimore, has not given public notice of his application for an act of insolvency, but has privately notified a part of his creditors.

By order,

R. K. WATTS, clk.

Which was read.

The resolution in favour of Robert Long was read the second time and dissented from.

The bill to authorise a sale of the real estate of the late John Rogers, if approved of by the chancellor, was read the second time, passed, and sent to the senate by the clerk.

Mr. Lowrey,