

Mr. M'Pherson, from the committee, delivers to the speaker the following report :

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of Charles Gardiner, of Charles county, report, that they have had the same under their consideration, and believe the facts therein stated to be true; they are therefore of opinion, that as the petitioner has paid into the treasury the sum of five hundred and thirty-four pounds nine shillings and four-pence halfpenny, in consequence of his father having been security for Benjamin Gawood, former sheriff and collector of public taxes for Charles county, who is since insolvent, it would be reasonable and just to indulge the petitioner for the balance due until the first day of December next; they therefore submit the following resolution :

RESOLVED, That all proceedings against Charles Gardiner, and others, for the recovery of the balance due by him to the state of Maryland, be and they are hereby suspended until after the first day of December next, and that the said Charles Gardiner be and he is hereby indulged in the payment of the said balance till the period before mentioned; provided, that the judgment aforesaid shall continue and be in full force, notwithstanding the suspension of proceedings directed by this resolution, and if the balance that will then be due on the aforesaid judgment be not paid by the time aforesaid, an execution may again be issued against the said Charles Gardiner to enforce the payment thereof.

By order,

L. GASSAWAY, clk.

Which was read the first and second time, the resolution therein contained assented to, and sent to the senate by the clerk.

Mr. Lowrey, from the committee, delivers to the speaker a bill, entitled, An act for the relief of Samuel Wright, of Queen-Anne's county; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

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

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of sundry inhabitants of Frederick county, praying that a sum of money might be levied on the assessable property of said county for the purpose of building a new gaol in said county, report, that they have taken the same into consideration, and find that no notice accompanies said petition, agreeably to a resolution of the general assembly, of their intention to apply to the legislature. The committee are of opinion, that as taxes are to be imposed upon the people, the interposition of the legislature would be improper, without the usual legal steps had been pursued to ascertain the sense of the people of the said county fully upon the subject; they therefore think that the prayer of the petitioners, under existing circumstances, ought not to be granted. All which is submitted to the honourable house.

By order,

D. C. HOPPER, clk.

Which was read the first and second time and concurred with.

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

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of sundry inhabitants of Frederick and Montgomery counties, praying that a road may be opened from Taney-town, in Frederick county, through Liberty-town and New-Market, to intersect the road leading from Frederick-town to the city of Washington at or near Montgomery court-house, report, that they have taken the same into consideration, and find that the said road is contemplated to run a considerable distance through the said counties, and not far distant from the post-road now leading from Taney-town to Montgomery court-house. The committee are of opinion, that as the sense of the people in the said counties has not generally been taken upon the subject, it is not advisable for the legislature to interpose at this session; they therefore deem it proper, under those circumstances, to decline granting the prayer of the petitioners. All which is submitted to the honourable house.

By order,

D. C. HOPPER, clk.

Which was read the first and second time and concurred with.

A petition from sundry inhabitants of the west end of the city of Baltimore, and its precincts, praying an act may pass authorising them to raise by lottery a sum of money for the purpose of building a market-house at the west end aforesaid, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Lemmon, Mr. Van-Horn and Mr. Ridgely, to consider and report thereon.

A petition from William Bruff, of the city of Baltimore, praying an act of insolvency, was preferred, read, and referred to the committee appointed on petitions of a similar nature.

Mr. Lloyd, from the committee, delivers to the speaker a bill, entitled, A further supplement to an act, entitled, An act for the direction of sheriffs and coroners in the return of jurors, and for the better regulation of juries; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Van-Horn has leave of absence for a few days.

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

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of John Smith Brookes, of Prince-George's county, report, that they have had the same under their consideration, and are of opinion that the prayer thereof is reasonable, and ought to be granted; they therefore submit the following resolution :

RESOLVED, That all proceedings be stayed on a judgment obtained against John Smith Brookes, of Prince-George's county, at the suit of the state, until the first day of December next, on his paying up all the interest due thereon; provided, that any thing herein contained shall not preclude the state from issuing any execution