

A petition from Tristram Bowdle, of Talbot county, praying an act may pass authorising him to collect the balances due to James Bowdle, former collector of Talbot county, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Rose, Mr. Lloyd and Mr. Meluy, to consider and report thereon.

Mr. Dashiell, from the committee, delivers to the speaker a bill, entitled, An act relative to costs; which was read the first and second time by especial order and passed.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a bill for the encouragement of learning in Cæcil county. ORDERED, That Mr. Alexander, Mr. Sheredine and Mr. Miller, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a bill to provide for the encouragement of learning in Prince-George's county. ORDERED, That Mr. Van-Horn, Mr. Lyles and Mr. Calvert, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a bill for the encouragement of learning in Dorchester county. ORDERED, That Mr. Bayly, Mr. Dashiell and Mr. Keene, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a bill for the encouragement of learning in Caroline county. ORDERED, That Mr. Young, Mr. Rich and Mr. Turpin, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a supplement to an act for the promotion of literature in this state. ORDERED, That Mr. Montgomery, Mr. E. Davis and Mr. Chapman, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a bill to authorise a loan of money from this state to build an academy in Easton, in Talbot county. ORDERED, That Mr. Lloyd, Mr. Meluy and Mr. Rose, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a bill granting a loan to the trustees of Washington academy, in Somerset county. ORDERED, That Mr. Hyland, Mr. Dashiell and Mr. Carroll, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

On motion, ORDERED, That the further consideration of the bill respecting turnpike roads be postponed until Monday next.

The house adjourns till Monday morning 9 o'clock.

M O N D A Y, December 19, 1803.

THE house met. Present the same members as on Saturday. The proceedings of Saturday were read. Mr. Hatcheson and Mr. Lytle appeared in the house.

The bill to lay out and open a road from the town of Westminster, in Frederick county, to the city of Washington and George-town, was read the second time and passed.

Mr. Turpin has leave of absence for a few days.

RESOLVED, That during the remainder of this session leave of absence shall not be granted to any member of this house unless the same be first obtained on motion made in person.

Mr. Hatcheson, from the committee, delivers to the speaker a bill, entitled, An act to encourage the destruction of crows in the several counties therein mentioned; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

Petitions from William Belton and Thomas T. Greenfield, of Baltimore county, and John Maddox, of Charles county, praying acts of insolvency, were preferred, read, and referred to the committee appointed on petitions of a similar nature.

On motion, the question was put on the following, to wit:

RESOLVED, That the resolution this day passed relative to the mode of obtaining leave of absence, be and the same is hereby rescinded.

The yeas and nays being required, appeared as follow:

A F F I R M A T I V E.							
Angier,	Lemmon,	Meluy,	Lyles,	Sturgis,	Clarke,	Lytle,	Dugan,
Hatcheson,	Brown,	Miller,	Thompson,	Williams,	Forwood,	Rich,	Smith,
Thomas,	Ridgely,	Alexander,	Roberts,	Shriver,	E. Davis,	Dickson,	Yates.
Hall,	Lloyd,	Van-Horn,	Lowrey,				28.
N E G A T I V E.							
Barber,	Dorsey,	McPherson,	Hyland,	Calvert,	Swearingen,	Veatch,	Tonlinson,
R. Neale,	Stuart,	Dashiell,	Goldsborough,	Purnell,	T. Davis,	Bayard,	Cresap.
W. Neale,	Jones,	Cottman,	Bayly,	Pearce,			21.

So it was resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Rose, Mr. Carcaud, Mr. Gantt, Mr. Holland and Mr. Linthicum, have leave of absence for a few days.

A petition from Samuel Hooper, of Dorchester county, stating that he hath a life estate in certain lands in the county aforesaid, and that after his death the said lands will descend to his two children, and praying a law may pass authorising him to make sale of the said lands and to give a title in fee-simple thereto, upon his giving to his children other lands in lieu thereof, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Goldsborough, Mr. Bayly and Mr. Frazier, to consider and report thereon.