

The house, according to the order of the day, proceeded to the second reading of the bill, entitled, An act to provide for the trial of facts in the several counties of this state, and to alter, change and abolish, all such parts of the constitution and form of government as relate to the general court and court of appeals; on progression in reading said bill, the question was put, Will the house reconsider the third section thereof? Resolved in the affirmative.

The bill was read throughout, and after sometime spent in debate thereon,  
The house adjourned until to-morrow morning 9 o'clock.

F R I D A Y, December 28, 1804.

**T**HE house met. Present the same members as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read. The house resumed the consideration of the bill, entitled, An act to provide for the trial of facts in the several counties of this state, and to alter, change and abolish, all such parts of the constitution and form of government as relate to the general court and court of appeals, and after sometime spent in debate thereon, a motion was made and seconded, and the question put, Will the house postpone the further consideration of the said bill until the first day of October next? Determined in the negative.

The question was then put, Shall the said bill pass? The yeas and nays being required, appeared as follow:

A F F I R M A T I V E.

Yeas	Thomas,	Brown,	Veazey,	Thompson,	Waters,	Ayres,	Rich,	Ringgold,
	Moore,	Harryman,	Miller,	Sturgis,	Cockey,	Montgomery,	Stephen,	Clagett,
	Hatcheson,	Ennalls,	Covington,	Prideaux,	Hawkins,	Forwood,	Bowles,	Bruce,
	Stansbury,	Sheredine,	Blake,	Williams,	Bond,	Holbrook,	Yates,	B. Tomlinson.
	Lemmon,	Alexander,	Lowrey,	Clarke,				

N E G A T I V E.

Nays	R Neale,	Mercer,	Parnham,	Lloyd,	T. Bayly,	S. Frazier,	Shaaff,	Selby,
	W Neale,	Hall,	Stuart,	Meluy,	Jackson,	J Bayly,	Handy,	Darne,
	Hebb,	Dorsey,	Chapman,	Spencer,	Cottman,	Contee,	Potter,	Bayard,
	Barber,	Harwood,	M'Pherson,	Goldsborough,	Hyland,	Muir,	Linthicum,	J. Tomlinson.
	Scott,	B. Mackall,						

So it was resolved in the affirmative.

The said bill was sent to the senate by the clerk.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a bill, entitled, A further supplement to an act, entitled, An act for the relief of the poor of Cecil county. ORDERED, That Mr. Alexander, Mr. Miller and Mr. Sheredine, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a bill to direct the mode of collecting the several taxes imposed on proceedings in the court of chancery. ORDERED, That Mr. J. Bayly, Mr. Montgomery and Mr. Shaaff, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a bill, entitled, A further additional supplement to an act, entitled, An act to provide for the administration of justice in cases of crimes and misdemeanors in the city and county of Baltimore. ORDERED, That Mr. Stansbury, Mr. Brown and Mr. Sheredine, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

A petition from Philip Ford, of Saint-Mary's county, stating, that John Cassell, late of said county, deceased, at his death bequeathed to his daughter, Mary Thompson, during her life, and that of her husband John B. Thompson, a small piece of land, and after her decease to her three daughters, the eldest of whom, Henrietta Thompson, intermarried with Charles Ford, son of your petitioner, both of whom died intestate, leaving one only child, a son, called George Ford, to whom the orphans court of Saint-Mary's county have appointed the petitioner guardian, that said land will be of no service to the minor, that the other two children of the said Mary Thompson are of age and wish to sell their parts of said land, and praying that an act may pass authorising a sale of said minor's part of said land, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. R. Neale, Mr. Hebb and Mr. W. Neale, to consider and report thereon.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a bill to empower the clerk of Calvert county to remove certain records from the seat of justice to Huntington-town. ORDERED, That Mr. B. Mackall, Mr. Montgomery and Mr. Shaaff, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

The report on the petition of James B. Sullivane, was read the second time, concurred with, and the resolution therein contained assented to.

A petition from Benjamin Chambers, of Chester-town, in Kent county, stating, that in the year seventeen hundred and ninety-six he made certain payments of public money received by him for the use of the state into the treasury of the eastern shore of Maryland, in which payments he overpaid the sum of seven pounds thirteen shillings more than was actually due to the state, and praying that the treasurer may be authorised and directed to refund him said sum with interest, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Scott, Mr. Hatcheson and Mr. Thomas, to consider and report thereon.

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

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of Charles Mankin, former sheriff and collector of Charles county, report, that they have taken the same under consideration, and are of opinion that it merits the inter-