

W E D N E S D A Y, December 6, 1809.

THE house met. Present the same members as on yesterday, except Mr. Hebb, Mr. Jump, Mr. J. Thomas, Mr. Baer, M. J. Brown, Mr. Hopper and Mr. S. Thomas. The proceedings of yesterday were read.

The bill to incorporate a company for the purpose of building a bridge over the river Susquehanna, at Havre-de-Grace, was sent to the senate.

Mr. Bowles delivers a petition from sundry inhabitants of Washington county, praying an alteration in the militia law; which was read and referred to Mr. Bowles, Mr. Brent, Mr. Winder, Mr. Belt and Mr. Harryman, to consider and report thereon.

Mr. Plater delivers petitions from Jesse Bullock and Henry Spalding, revolutionary soldiers; which were read and referred to the committee appointed on petitions of a similar nature.

Mr. Bland delivers a petition from the ordinary keepers of the city of Baltimore, praying to be released from a portion of the sum paid by them for license; which was read and referred to Mr. Bland, Mr. Worthington and Mr. Harryman, to consider and report thereon.

Mr. Wilson delivers a petition from Ephraim Furniss, of Somerset county, praying a divorce; which was read and referred to Mr. Wilson, Mr. Randall and Mr. Prideaux, to consider and report thereon.

Also a petition from Molly Walker, of Worcester county, praying to be divorced; which was read and referred to Mr. Wilson, Mr. Bayly and Mr. Quinton, to consider and report thereon.

Mr. Parnham delivers a petition from William Robertson, of Charles county, praying to be supported out of the poor's house; which was read and referred to Mr. Parnham, Mr. Chapman and Mr. Stuart, to consider and report thereon.

Mr. Groome delivers a bill, entitled, An act to empower the administrator of Joseph Baxter, late sheriff of Cæcil county, to collect the fees put into the hands of the said Baxter for collection in his life-time; and Mr. Worthington delivers a bill, entitled, An act to authorise the drawing of a lottery to erect a town clock and alarm bell in the western precincts of the city of Baltimore; which were read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Schley delivers the bill to authorise Elizabeth Philpot, of Frederick county, to dispose of the land therein mentioned, as amended; which was read the first and second time by especial order, passed, and sent to the senate.

Mr. Streett delivers the bill to straighten and lay out a road in Baltimore and Harford counties therein mentioned, as amended; which was read the first and second time by especial order, and, on motion by Mr. Randall, the question was put, That the words "or through the meadow of Mr. Elijah Bosley, on the south east side of his house," be inserted in the first clause after the word "person?" Resolved in the affirmative.

On motion by Mr. Archer, the same was referred to the consideration of the next general assembly.

Mr. Herbert delivers a petition from Oliver B. Suit, of Prince-George's county, praying a special act of insolvency; which was read and referred to Mr. Herbert, Mr. Chapman and Mr. Calvert, to consider and report thereon.

Mr. Bland delivers a bill, entitled, An act concerning libel and contempt of court; and Mr. Tabbs delivers a bill, entitled, An act annulling the marriage of Eve Hultzman, and Conrad Hultzman her husband; which were read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Parnham delivers a report of the trustees of Charlotte Hall school; which was read and referred to Mr. Parnham, Mr. Tabbs, Mr. Herbert, Mr. Worthington and Mr. Plater, to consider and report thereon.

The clerk of the senate delivers the bill annulling the marriage of Susanna Beamer, of the city of Baltimore, endorsed, "will pass." Ordered to be engrossed. And the bill to prevent insurance by foreigners, endorsed, "will pass with the proposed amendments;" which amendments were read.

Mr. Frazier delivers a petition from Joseph Ennalls, of Dorchester county, praying further indulgence on a judgment obtained against him by the state; which was read and referred to Mr. Frazier, Mr. Stevens and Mr. Griffith, to consider and report thereon.

On motion by Mr. Boyle, ORDERED, That in electing a director on the part of the state in the Bank of Baltimore for the ensuing year, the concurrence of a majority of the votes of all the attending members shall be requisite to every choice, and if it should appear, on counting the ballots, that no person has a majority in his favour of all the attending members, the house will immediately proceed to ballot again, and will continue balloting until such majority shall be obtained.

The house proceeded to the choice of a director in the Bank of Baltimore on the part of this state for the ensuing year; the ballots being deposited in the ballot-box, the gentlemen named to strike retired, and after sometime returned and reported, that Samuel Briscoe was elected.

Whereupon RESOLVED, That Samuel Briscoe be, and he is hereby declared to be, a director on the part of this state in the Bank of Baltimore for the ensuing year.

Mr. Archer delivers the following report:

THE committee to whom were referred such parts of the communications of the executive as refer to the resolutions of the legislature of the commonwealth of Massachusetts, proposing an amendment to the constitution of the United States, by which no law should "be enacted for laying an embargo, or for prohibiting or suspend-