

FRIDAY, December 8, 1809.

THE house met. Present the same members as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read. The bill to empower the inhabitants of the town of Havre-de-Grace to elect the commissioners thereof, the further supplement to an act authorising a lottery for raising a sum of money for repairing of Saint-George's church, on Deer creek, in Harford county, and the bill for the benefit of Elizabeth Barnet, of Washington county, were sent to the senate.

The speaker laid before the house a letter from the register in chancery, enclosing an account of seals and taxes; which was read.

The bill 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, was read the second time, passed, and sent to the senate.

The house resumed the consideration of the bill to alter all such parts of the declaration of rights, the constitution and form of government, as prevent persons conscientiously scrupulous of taking an oath from serving as jurors, and, on motion by Mr. J. H. Thomas, the question was put, That the whole of the title from the word "to" to the word "prevent" be stricken out? Resolved in the affirmative.

On motion by Mr. Brent, the question was put, That the words "except the people called Quakers, and those called Nicholites, or New Quakers," be inserted after the word "jurors" in the second clause? Determined in the negative.

On motion by Mr. J. H. Thomas, the question was put, That the 4th and 5th clauses be stricken out? Resolved in the affirmative.

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.								
Messrs	Plater	Williams	M Brown	Cottman	Herbert	Wilson	Streett	Gaither
	Hall	Sellman	Randall	Griffith	Magruder	Hayward	Holbrook	Veatch
	Angier	Grahame	Stevens	Frazier	Sands	J Thomas	Willis	Hilleary
	Harris	Ireland	Kerr	Groome	Boyle	Schley	Bland	Bayard
	W Moffitt	Wilkinson	Seth	J S Moffitt	J E Spencer	Archer	Cellar	Cresap
	Belt	Blake	Bayly	Physick	Prideaux	Forwood	Tabbs	Reid
	A Dorsey	Parnham	Winder	Calvert	Quinton	Davis	Brent	
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N E G A T I V E.								
Messrs	Stuart	Chapman	Gale	Perrie	Bowles			6

Mr. Lecompte and Mr. Lucas have leave of absence.

The house formed itself into a committee of the whole on the bill concerning crimes and punishments, Mr. Winder in the chair; and after sometime spent therein, the committee rose, and Mr. Winder reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

The question was then put, That the committee have leave to sit again? Resolved in the affirmative.

The house adjourns until to-morrow morning 9 o'clock.

SATURDAY, December 9, 1809.

THE house met. Present the same members as on yesterday, except Mr. Lecompte and Mr. Lucas. The proceedings of yesterday were read.

The bill to admit persons conscientiously scrupulous of taking an oath to serve as jurors, was sent to the senate.

Mr. Streett delivers a petition from sundry inhabitants of Harford county, praying for commissioners to review the road from near the Fawn Meeting-house to Baltimore, to intersect the Belle-Air road; which was read and referred to Mr. Streett, Mr. Davis and Mr. Archer, to consider and report thereon.

Mr. Physick delivers a petition from James Maxwell, an old revolutionary soldier; which was read and referred to the committee appointed on petitions of a similar nature.

Mr. Bland delivers a petition from Michael Sanderson, praying the state may relinquish its title to part of lot No. 56 in the city of Baltimore; which was read and referred to Mr. Bland, Mr. Worthington and Mr. Randall, to consider and report thereon.

Mr. Physick delivers a bill, entitled, An act to lay out and make public a road therein mentioned in Cæcil county; Mr. Worthington delivers a bill, entitled, An act for the relief of Henry Alexander, of the city of Baltimore, an insolvent debtor; which were read.

Mr. Harryman has leave of absence.

Mr. Reid delivers a bill, entitled, An act authorising William Bruce, late sheriff and collector of Allegany county, to complete his collections; which was read the first and second time by especial order, passed, and sent to the senate.

Mr. Worthington delivers a bill, entitled, An act authorising the sale of a lot, piece or parcel of ground, lately possessed by Doctor Jeffry-Dillon Shanley, in the city of Baltimore; which was read.