

RESOLVED, That the suspicion expressed by Francis James Jackson, through Charles Oakly, his Britannic majesty's secretary of legation, for the personal safety of himself and suite, intimates an abandonment, on our part, of the most sacred principle of the code of nations, and contains an unwarrantable reflection upon the people of the United States.

Mr. Holbrook, Mr. P. Spencer and Mr. Gale, have leave of absence.

Mr. J. Brown delivers a bill, entitled, An act for the relief of John Campbell, of Queen-Anne's county; which was read.

On motion by Mr. J. E. Spencer, Leave given to bring in a bill, entitled, An act for the more effectual prevention of duelling. ORDERED, That Mr. J. E. Spencer, Mr. Quinton, Mr. Cottman, Mr. Hall and Mr. Stevens, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

The bill authorising a lottery for raising a sum of money for the purpose of erecting a building to be called The Baltimore Female Academy, was read the second time and passed.

The house resolved itself into a committee of the whole on the bill relative to crimes and punishments, Mr. Winder in the chair; and after sometime spent therein, the committee rose, and Mr. Winder reported the said bill, with amendments.

On motion by Mr. Chapman, the following resolutions were read.

RESOLVED, That a committee be appointed, to unite with such gentlemen as may be appointed by the senate, for the purpose of viewing and examining the penitentiary-house, now erecting near the city of Baltimore, to answer the objects contemplated by a revision of the penal code of this state, under the consideration of this legislature, and that said committee report to this general assembly what, in their opinion, is necessary for the completion of the said penitentiary, that such steps may be immediately taken thereon as may be calculated to carry the said establishment into effect.

RESOLVED, That — be a committee for the aforesaid purpose on the part of this house.

Mr. Calvert delivers a petition from Rinaldo Johnson, of Prince-George's county, praying he may receive interest on a sum of money refunded to him by the state, as security of Thomas Williams; which was read and referred to Mr. Calvert, Mr. Herbert and Mr. Angier, to consider and report thereon.

Mr. Boyle delivers a petition from Nicholas Brewer, register in chancery, praying to be reimbursed for expenses in fitting up a room for his office; which was read and referred to Mr. Boyle, Mr. J. Brown and Mr. Sands, to consider and report thereon.

The bill to repeal and abolish the forty-fifth article of the constitution and form of government, was read the second time and passed.

Mr. J. Thomas, Mr. Baer and Mr. S. Thomas, appear in the house.

The bill to incorporate a company for making an artificial road from the town of New-Castle, in New-Castle county, to the line of this state, in the route or direction to French-town, on Elk river, in Cæcil county, in the state of Maryland, and to extend the same artificial road from thence by the nearest and best practicable course to French-town, on Elk river, in Cæcil county, in the state of Maryland, was read the second time, and, on motion by Mr. Bland, the question was put, That the title be stricken out? Resolved in the affirmative.

On motion by Mr. Bland, the question was then put, That the following words be inserted in lieu of those stricken out? to wit: "An act to incorporate a company for making an artificial road from French-town, on Elk river, in Cæcil county, in the state of Maryland, to the Delaware line, in a direction towards the town of New-Castle." Resolved in the affirmative.

The question was then put, Shall the said bill pass? Resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Cottman delivers a bill, entitled, A further additional supplement to the act, entitled, An act to ascertain the allowance to jurymen and witnesses of the general court and the several county courts in this state; which was read.

The bill for the relief of Henry Alexander, of the city of Baltimore, an insolvent debtor, was read the second time and passed.

On motion by Mr. Seth, ORDERED, That the bill to alter all such parts of the constitution and form of government of this state as relate to voters, and qualification of voters, have a second reading on to-morrow.

The bill for the relief of John Campbell, of Queen-Anne's county, was read the first and second time by special order and passed.

Mr. Bland delivers a bill, entitled, An act for the benefit of the creditors and children of George Maltby, late of the city of Baltimore; which was read.

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

T U E S D A Y, December 12, 1809.

THE house met. Present the same members as on yesterday, except Mr. Holbrook, Mr. P. Spencer and Mr. Gale. The proceedings of yesterday were read.

The bill for the relief of John Campbell, the bill for the relief of Henry Alexander, the bill to incorporate a company for making an artificial road from French-town, on Elk river, in Cæcil county, in the state of Maryland, to the Delaware line, in a direction towards the town of New-Castle, the bill to abolish the forty-fifth