

lands in the vicinity of the disputed boundary line between Maryland and Virginia, resulting from the conflicting grants of said lands, heretofore made by said States, and suggests that the passage of the proposed act is the only remedy which can be adequately applied for the prevention and cure of the evil. The proposed act, provides that in the present and all future legal controversies, arising between citizens of this State, or a citizen or citizens of this State and a citizen or citizens of the State of Virginia, in regard to the title to lands lying along the disputed boundary line between this State and the State of Virginia, the title of the party claiming under the elder grant, whether the grant of the one state, or the other, shall in all cases prevail, provided a similar law be passed by the State of Virginia. There are other provisions in the proposed bill which your committee deem it unnecessary to recapitulate. It is the opinion of the committee that the effect of the proposed law, would be materially to interfere with, and invalidate the operation of many existing valid grants, emanating from the State of Maryland; they therefore recommend the rejection of the bill in question, and that they be discharged from the farther consideration of the subject.

All which is respectfully submitted,

THOS. DUCKETT, Chairman.

By order,

Jesse D. Reid, Clk.

Which was read the first and second time by special order, and concurred in.

Mr. Matthews, from the committee on grievances and courts of justice, delivered the following report,

The committee on grievances and courts of justice, to whom was referred a "leave to bring in a bill relating to equity proceedings," have considered the same, and ask leave to report unfavorably thereon.

All which is respectfully submitted by

WM. MATTHEWS,

From the committee on Grievances and Courts of Justice.

By order,

Jos. C. Talbott, Clk.

Which was read the first time.

Mr. McLean offered as a substitute for said report, a bill, entitled, an act, relating to equity proceedings,

Which was read the first time,

The said report and substitute were then ordered to lie on the table.