

prayer of the petitioner is reasonable and just, and that a law ought to pass in conformity thereto.

By order,

J. S. BETTON, clk.

Which was read.

A petition from Andrew Havnar, of Frederick county, praying an act of insolvency, was preferred, read, and referred to the committee appointed on petitions of a similar nature.

Mr. Potter appeared in the house.

A petition from Benjamin Ray, junior, former sheriff and collector of Montgomery county, and his securities, praying further time to complete his collection, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Turner, Mr. Magruder and Mr. Ridgely, to consider and report thereon.

On motion, the question was put, That the bill to regulate elections have a second reading? The yeas and nays being required, appeared as follow:

		A F F I R M A T I V E.					
Messieurs	Neale,	Brogden,	P. Thomas,	Addison,	J. Thomas,	Mason,	Geoghegan,
	Barroll,	Worthington,	Haynes,	Duckett,	Shriver,	Boon,	Magruder,
	Wroth,	Carcaud,	Wallace,	Marbury,	M'Comas,	Buchanan,	Turner,
	Tilghman,	Brown,	Rumley,	Warfield,	Ayres,	Johonnot,	Perry.
	Harwood,	Wilkins,					30.
		N E G A T I V E.					
Messieurs	Leigh,	Parnham,	T. Worthington,	Hyland,	Quynn,	Bond,	Swearingen,
	Hall,	M'Pherfon,	Rose,	Stewart,	Wright,	Orrell,	Tomlinson,
	Mackall,	Digges,	Nabb,	S. Frazier,	C. Frazier,	Cellar,	Beall,
	Taney,	Ridgely,	Denny,	Pattifon,	Corbin,	Riley,	Rice.
	Brome,	Carroll,	Cottman,	Keene,			32.

So it was determined in the negative.

On motion, the question was put, That the house reconsider the above question? The yeas and nays being required, appeared as follow:

		A F F I R M A T I V E.					
Messieurs	Neale,	Brogden,	P. Thomas,	Duckett,	J. Thomas,	Mason,	Geoghegan,
	Barroll,	Worthington,	Haynes,	Marbury,	Shriver,	Boon,	Magruder,
	Wroth,	Carcaud,	Wallace,	Calvert,	Street,	Buchanan,	Turner,
	Tilghman,	Brown,	Rumley,	Key,	M'Comas,	Johonnot,	Perry.
	Harwood,	Wilkins,	Addison,	Warfield,	Ayres,		33.
		N E G A T I V E.					
Messieurs	Leigh,	Parnham,	T. Worthington,	Cottman,	Keene,	Bond,	Swearingen,
	Hall,	M'Pherfon,	Edmondson,	Hyland,	Quynn,	Orrell,	Tomlinson,
	Mackall,	Digges,	Rose,	Stewart,	Wright,	Cellar,	Beall,
	Taney,	Ridgely,	Nabb,	S. Frazier,	C. Frazier,	Riley,	Rice.
	Brome,	Carroll,	Denny,	Pattifon,	Corbin,		33.

The house being equally divided, the question was declared in the negative by the speaker. Mr. Corbin has leave of absence.

The following question being propounded to the house, was read, viz. RESOLVED, That the petition of the mayor and city council of Baltimore is reasonable, and that the prayer thereof ought to be granted under just and equitable modifications.

On the second reading of the said resolution, the question was put, That the further consideration thereof be postponed until the first day of June next? The yeas and nays being required, appeared as follow:

		A F F I R M A T I V E.					
Messieurs	Leigh,	Brogden,	Ridgely,	Denny,	P. Thomas,	Corbin,	Riley,
	Greenwell,	Worthington,	T. Worthington,	Hyland,	Haynes,	J. Thomas,	Swearingen,
	Neale,	Mackall,	Brown,	Wilkins,	Rumley,	Shriver,	Tomlinson,
	Barroll,	Brome,	Edmondson,	Pattifon,	Calvert,	Cellar,	Beall,
	Tilghman,	M'Pherfon,	Rose,	Keene,	Wright,	Magruder,	Rice.
		N E G A T I V E.					
Messieurs	Wroth,	Parnham,	Addison,	Key,	Street,	Mason,	Johonnot,
	Harwood,	Digges,	Duckett,	C. Frazier,	M'Comas,	Potter,	Geoghegan,
	Hall,	Nabb,	Marbury,	Thompson,	Ayres,	Orrell,	Turner,
	Carcaud,	Cottman,	Quynn,	Warfield,	Bond,	Buchanan,	Perry.
	Taney,	Wallace,					30.

So it was resolved in the affirmative.

On motion, ORDERED, That the bill to regulate elections, have a second reading on to-morrow.

The clerk of the senate delivers the bill to prevent the going at large of swine in the town of Lower-Marlborough, in Calvert county, endorsed; "By the senate, December 16, 1799: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

A. VAN-HORN, clk.

"By the senate, December 16, 1799: Read the second time by especial order and will pass.

A. VAN-HORN, clk."

Ordered to be engrossed.

The bill for laying out two roads to Exeter mills, in Caroline county, endorsed; "By the senate, December 4, 1799: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

A. VAN-HORN, clk.

"By the senate, December 20, 1799: Read the second time and will pass with the proposed amendment.

A. VAN-HORN, clk."

Which was read the first and second time and the bill ordered to be engrossed. The bill relating to public roads in Kent county, endorsed; "By the senate, December 16, 1799: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

A. VAN-HORN, clk.

"By order,