

hereby suspended until the first day of January, eighteen hundred and nine, and also that the said John Wilkins, and his securities, be and they are hereby released from the payment of the nine per cent. per annum, of the fifteen per cent. interest, chargeable on the principal of the balance due the state, on condition only that the said John Wilkins, and his securities, shall punctually pay to the treasurer of the eastern shore, on or before the first day of January, eighteen hundred and nine, the principal of the balance due the state, with interest on the same, at the rate of six per cent. per annum, together with all costs on said judgment; provided, that the judgment aforesaid shall continue and be in full force, notwithstanding the suspension directed by this resolution, and that if the said John Wilkins, and his securities, shall fail in the said payment, they shall thereby forfeit the benefit of this resolution, and shall be liable to be proceeded against immediately for the whole of the said debt and costs and the fifteen per cent. interest now payable thereon.

By order,

N. MARTIN, clk.

Which was read.

A petition from John M'Candless, of Harford county, praying a divorce, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Forwood, Mr. Mitchell and Mr. Biggs, to consider and report thereon.

Mr. Shaaff, from the committee, delivers to the speaker the bill to incorporate a fire insurance company in the city of Baltimore, as amended; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

On motion, the house resolved itself into a committee of the whole on the bill to regulate and discipline the militia of this state; Mr. Shaaff in the chair. After sometime spent therein, the speaker resumed the chair; and Mr. Shaaff reported, that the committee had taken into consideration the subject matter referred to them; but not having time to go through the same, had directed him to move for 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.

F R I D A Y, December 18, 1807.

THE house met. Present the same members as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read. Mr. Hopewell appears in the house.

Mr. T. Dorsey, from the committee, delivers to the speaker a bill, entitled, An act to quiet the possessions and fix the lines of the lots of ground fronting on the west side of Philpot-street, between Will-street and Thames-street, in the city of Baltimore; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

A petition from Mary Beske, of the city of Baltimore, praying for a divorce, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Steuart, Mr. Callis and Mr. T. Dorsey, to consider and report thereon.

Mr. Streett, from the committee, delivers to the speaker a bill, entitled, A further supplement to an act, entitled, An act to alter the mode of collecting the county tax in Harford county; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Stevens, from the committee, delivers to the speaker the following report:

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of William Rose, James Booker, Philemon Willis and Richard Barnaby, securities for William Stoddart Bond, report, that they have taken the same into consideration, and are of opinion that the prayer thereof is just and reasonable, and ought to be granted; they therefore submit the following resolutions:

RESOLVED, That the state of Maryland release its judgment against William Rose, Philemon Willis, James Booker and Richard Barnaby, securities of William Stoddart Bond, obtained in the general court for the eastern shore of Maryland, and all actions, suits and demands, of the said state against the said securities, upon condition that the said securities shall pay into the treasury of the state the interest due upon the said judgment up to the present date.

RESOLVED, That the attorney-general of the state of Maryland be and he is hereby authorised and required, upon the said securities paying the interest as aforesaid, to have the said judgment entered up satisfied and settled, leaving to the said parties the right of adjustment between themselves, of such money as each may have paid, and such remedy as the laws of the state in such case provides.

RESOLVED, That the certificate of a survey of a tract of land called Bone's Meadows, lying in Allegany county, dated the 11th of May, 1797, for 22,020 acres of land, be and the same is hereby laid open and made vacant, and the said land may be taken up and affected in the same manner, and upon the same terms, as other vacant land in said county, reserving nevertheless to persons settled on or adjoining said land, and who may have improved or cultivated any part of the same, a preference and a right, until the first day of April next, of taking and securing such land so cultivated and improved by them, and a necessary quantity only of woodland adjoining, which necessary quantity may be determined by the chancellor in case a contention should arise between any of the parties.

By order,

N. MARTIN, clk.

Which was read.

A petition from Sarah M'Candless, counter to the petition of John M'Candless, was preferred, read, and referred to the committee on the petition to which it is counter.

A petition from sundry inhabitants of Baltimore county, praying that the road which continues towards Hanover from the end of the Falls turnpike road may be straightened, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Steuart, Mr. Shaaff, Mr. Harryman, Mr. Little and Mr. Bruce, to consider and report thereon.