

MARYLAND GAZETTE.

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Legislature of Maryland.

SKETCH OF PROCEEDINGS

HOUSE OF DELEGATES.

THURSDAY, JAN. 5, 1804.

THE bill empowering the chancellor to direct a sale of the real estate of Priscilla Howerton, and bill extending the time for taking the bond of the sheriff of Montgomery county, the bill to aid the deed of the deed therein mentioned, and the further supplement to the act to erect Baltimore-town, in Baltimore county, into a city, and to incorporate the inhabitants thereof, were sent to the senate.

The speaker laid before the house a letter from John Young, a delegate for Caroline county, with sundry enclosures, relative to a vote of censure passed him last session; which were read, and the question put, That the same be referred to a committee to consider and report thereon? Resolved in the affirmative, yeas 28; nays 19, and referred accordingly.

The bill to authorize the levy court of Baltimore county to establish two additional warehouses in the city of Baltimore for the inspection of tobacco, was read the second time, and the question put, That the house reconsider the second enacting clause? Determined in the negative.

The question was then put, That the said bill do pass? Resolved in the affirmative, and sent to the senate.

A petition from sundry inhabitants of Lancaster and York counties in Pennsylvania, and of Harford county in this state, was read and referred.

Mr. Montgomery delivers a report on the above mentioned petition, in favour of the petitioners; which was read, and referred to the next session of assembly.

Mr. Montgomery delivers a report on the petition of Henry Ridgely, in his favour; which was read.

Mr. Shaff delivers a bill respecting titles to land under decrees of chancery, and to facilitate the conveying of titles; which was read, and referred to the next session of assembly.

Mr. Shaff delivers a bill respecting taxes on judicial proceedings, and on the proceedings in the land-office, and for other purposes; which was read.

Ordered, That the further consideration of the bill to reform the penal laws of this state, be postponed till the next session of assembly.

The speaker laid before the house a report from Abel Stevens, examiner-general for the western part, stating the amount of fees received by him for the last year; which was read.

Mr. Harwood delivers a bill to authorize a lottery to raise a sum of money for the purpose of repairing the protestant episcopal church in All-Hallows parish, Anne-Arundel county; which was read.

The bill for the relief of Richard Morgan and Christopher Woolford, and the bill to revive and continue the act to enable John S. Bels, James Walker and Archibald Dorsey, to complete the collection of county tax in certain districts in Anne-Arundel county, were severally passed and sent to the senate.

The report on the petition of William Amos, senior, was read the second time, concurred with, and the resolution therein contained withdrawn.

A resolution referring the application of William Amos, senior, to the consideration of the auditor, to report thereon to the next general assembly, was assented to and sent to the senate.

Mr. Dugan delivers a bill to restrain and prevent racing within four miles of the city of Baltimore; which was read, and postponed till the next session of assembly.

On motion, the question was put, That the further consideration of the bill to regulate the removal of cases from the county courts to the general court, and to authorize the general court to allow the depositions of witnesses to be taken and read in evidence in certain cases, be postponed till the next session of assembly? Resolved in the affirmative, yeas 29, nays 18.

Mr. Stuart has leave of absence.

The clerk of the senate delivers the bill empowering the chancellor to direct a sale of the real estate of Charles J. Duckett, endorsed, "on reconsideration assents with the proposed amendments;" which amendments were agreed to, and the bill ordered to be engrossed; the resolution respecting property in the town of Oxford, endorsed, "dissented from;" the bill to confirm the partition made by certain commissioners therein mentioned, and for other purposes, the bill to authorize the opening of a road in Anne-Arundel and Prince-George's counties, severally endorsed, and assented to, and the bill to incorporate companies to make several turnpike roads through Baltimore county, endorsed,

"will pass with the proposed amendments; which amendments were read.

On the second reading of the said amendments, the question was put, That the said bill, with the amendments, be referred to the next session of assembly? Resolved in the affirmative, yeas 31, nays 22.

The bill annulling the marriage of Joseph Bray, of Anne-Arundel county, and Anne his wife, was read the second time, and the question put, That the said bill do pass? Resolved in the affirmative, and sent to the senate.

The report of the committee appointed to inquire what further measures are necessary and proper on the part of this state in order to establish the western boundary thereof, was read the second time, and the resolution therein contained assented to.

The bill to erect a bridge over the river Patapsco, was read the second time and passed.

The resolution respecting the repairing of the treasury, was read the second time and assented to.

The resolutions respecting officers and privates who served during the late war on board the barges and look-out boats, were read the second time and withdrawn.

The clerk of the senate delivers the bill for the relief of sundry insolvent debtors, endorsed, "will pass with the proposed amendments;" which amendments were read; the resolution in favour of Thomas Jackson, and the resolution in favour of the trustee of the state, severally endorsed, "assented to;" the resolutions in favour of the securities of Robert Sinclair, endorsed, "assented to with the proposed amendment;" which amendment was agreed to; and the resolution directing Lawrence Brengle to pay to the trustees of Frederick county school a certain sum of money, endorsed, "dissented from."

FRIDAY, JAN. 6, 1804.

The bill to erect a bridge over the river Patapsco, the resolutions respecting the treasury, William Amos, senior, and the western boundary of this state, were sent to the senate.

Mr. Hatchelton appeared in the house.

A petition from Fordom Peafe, of the city of Baltimore, was preferred and read.

The bill to authorize the levy court of Anne-Arundel county to assess and levy a sum of money for the purposes therein mentioned, was passed and sent to the senate.

Resolutions authorizing the auditor to liquidate the accounts of all officers and privates who served on board the barges and look-out boats during the late war, and directing the treasurer to pay the same when allowed by the auditor, were assented to and sent to the senate.

A petition from Alexander Furnival, of the city of Baltimore, for an act of insolvency, was preferred and read.

Ordered, That the committee of claims be directed to close the journal of accounts up to Sunday next inclusive, and bring in a bill for the payment thereof.

A petition from sundry inhabitants of New-Market, in Dorchester county, was preferred and read.

The question was put, That the further consideration of the bill respecting taxes on judicial proceedings, and on the proceedings in the land-office, and for other purposes, be postponed till the next session of assembly? Resolved in the affirmative.

The bill for the benefit of Arthur Thompson, of Saint-Mary's county, was passed and sent to the senate.

A resolution directing the treasurer to subscribe for shares in the bank of Baltimore, was propounded to the house and read.

Ordered, That the committee of claims allow to John Trueman, door-keeper to the house of delegates, sixty dollars, for taking care of the chamber and furniture belonging to this house during the recess of the legislature.

Ordered, That the committee of claims allow the reverend Mr. Wyatt the sum of eighty dollars for his services as chaplain during the present session.

On the second reading of the message from the senate respecting the amendments to the bill for the valuation of real and personal property within this state, the question was put, That the further consideration of the said bill, with the amendments, be postponed till the next session of assembly? Determined in the negative, yeas 20, nays 37.

The question was then put, That the house reconsider the third amendment? Resolved in the affirmative.

The question was then put, That the house agree to the third amendment? Resolved in the affirmative, yeas 31, nays 27, and the bill ordered to be engrossed.

The engrossed bills from No. 29 to 84, except Nos. 30, 31, 32, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 42, 46, 64, 65, 67, 69, 74, 76, 79, were read and as-

sent to, and, with the paper bills thereof, sent to the senate.

The bill to prevent slaves hiring themselves, or acting as free, and to repeal the act of assembly therein mentioned, was read the second time, and the question put, That the said bill do pass? Determined in the negative, and sent to the senate.

The question was put, That the house reconsider the vote of yesterday respecting the reference of the bill to incorporate companies to make several turnpike roads through Baltimore county, and the amendments proposed thereto by the senate? Determined in the negative.

A resolution directing the treasurer to pay the examiner of the western shore a sum of money, which, in addition to his fees for the present year, will amount to three hundred pounds, was propounded to the house and read.

On the question, That the house assent thereto? it was resolved in the affirmative, yeas 32, nays 16.

Mr. Dashiell delivers a report from the joint committee respecting the government-house; which was read.

On the second reading of the amendments to the bill for the relief of sundry insolvent debtors, the question was put, That the house agree to the first and second amendments? Resolved in the affirmative.

Questions were then put on the third and fourth amendments? and resolved in the affirmative.

The question was then put, That the house agree to the fifth amendment? Determined in the negative.

The question was then put, That the house agree to the sixth amendment? Resolved in the affirmative, yeas 24, nays 22.

Ordered, That the printer to the state strike two hundred copies of the act for the valuation of real and personal property within this state, for the use of the commissioners of the tax.

The question was put, That the further consideration of the bill to repeal the seventeenth section of the act for the establishment and regulation of a night watch, and the erection of lamps, in Baltimore-town, in Baltimore county, be postponed till the next session of assembly? Determined in the negative, yeas 27, nays 30.

The clerk of the senate delivers the bill to authorize the levy court of Baltimore county to establish two additional warehouses in the city of Baltimore for the inspection of tobacco, the further supplement to the act to erect Baltimore-town, in Baltimore county, into a city, and to incorporate the inhabitants thereof, the bill annulling the marriage of Joseph Bray and Anne his wife, severally endorsed, "will pass;" the resolutions in favour of George Second and John B. Beall, severally endorsed, "assented to;" ordered to be engrossed; the resolution in favour of Thomas Beall, of Samuel, endorsed "will pass with the proposed amendment;" which amendment was agreed to; the resolution respecting officers and privates who served on board the barges during the late war, the resolution in favour of Joseph Ennalls, severally endorsed, "dissented from;" the supplement to the act to repeal the second and third sections of the act to extend the powers of the levy court of Allegany county relative to roads in said county, the supplement to the act relating to negroes, and to repeal the acts of assembly therein mentioned, severally endorsed, "will not pass;" and a bill authorizing a lottery to raise a sum of money for opening and clearing the road to be opened from Westminster, in Frederick county, to George-town and the city of Washington, endorsed, "will pass;" which was read.

Adjourned till 5 o'clock.

POST MERIDIEM.

The amendment to the bill to encourage the destruction of crows in the several counties therein mentioned was agreed to.

The question was then put, That the further consideration of the bill to repeal the seventeenth section of the act for the establishment and regulation of a night watch, and the erection of lamps, in Baltimore-town, in Baltimore county, be postponed till the second Monday in November next? Yeas 27, nays 27, carried in the affirmative by the speaker.

Mr. Goldsborough delivers a report on the letter of John Young; which was read.

Ordered, That the said report have a second reading on to-morrow.

The question was put, That leave be given to bring in a bill for the relief of Joshua Stevenson? Resolved in the affirmative.

The following message was read and agreed to.

Gentlemen of the Senate,
We have assented to all the amendments proposed by the senate to the bill for the relief of sundry insolvent debtors, except the fifth. We send the bill back for your reconsideration, and hope you will accede from that amendment, and pass the bill.