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Legislature of Maryland.

SKETCH OF PROCEEDINGS.

HOUSE OF DELEGATES.

THURSDAY, December 27, 1804.

THE house met. Present as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read. Petitions from Francis Motter and George-Adrean, of the city of Baltimore, praying acts of insolvency, were read and referred.

Mr. Dorsey delivers a bill, entitled, An act extending the time for taking the bond of the sheriff of Anne-Arundel county; which was read.

The clerk of the senate delivers the bill to encourage the destruction of crows in the several counties therein mentioned, endorsed, "will pass;" the bill to lay out and open a public road from Queen's-town, &c. endorsed, "will pass with the proposed amendments;" the resolution in favour of Elizabeth Johnson, endorsed, "assented to with the proposed amendment;" the resolution in favour of Samuel Maynard, endorsed, "assented to;" and a letter from the governor, enclosing sundry accounts and vouchers for repairs to the government-house, and the purchase of furniture.

The bill to provide for the trial of facts in the several counties in this state, and to alter, change and abolish, all such parts of the constitution and form of government as relate to the general court and court of appeals, was read the second time, agreeably to the order of the day, and after sometime spent in debate thereon, the question was put, That the house now adjourn? Resolved in the affirmative.

The house adjourns till to-morrow morning.

FRIDAY, December 28, 1804.

THE house met. Present as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read.

The house resumed the consideration of the bill to provide for the trial of facts in the several counties of this state, and to alter, change and abolish, all such parts of the constitution and form of government as relate to the general court and court of appeals, and after sometime spent in debate thereon, the question was put, Will the house postpone the further consideration of the said bill until the first day of October next? Determined in the negative.

The question was then put, Shall the said bill pass? The yeas and nays being required, appeared as follow: Affirmative. Messieurs Thomas, Moore, Hatcher, Stansbury, Lemmon, Brown, Harryman, Ennalls, Sheredine, Alexander, Veazy, Miller, Covington, Blake, Lowrey, Thompson, Sturgis, Prideaux, Williams, Clarke, Waters, Cockey, Hawkins, Bond, Ayres, Montgomery, Forwood, Holbrook, Rich, Stephen, Bowles, Yates, Ringgold, Clagett, Bruce, B. Tomlinson.—36.

Negative. Messrs. R. Neale, W. Neale, Hebb, Barber, Scott, Mercer, Hall, Dorsey, Harwood, B. Mackall, Parnham, Stuart, Chapman, M'Pherfon, Lloyd, Meluy, Spencer, Goldsborough, T. Bayly, Jackson, Cottman, Hyland, S. Frazier, J. Bayly, Contee, Muir, Shaaff, Handy, Potter, Linthicum, Selby, Darne, Bayard, J. Tomlinson.—34.—So it was resolved in the affirmative, and sent to the senate.

Leave given to bring in a further supplement to the act for the relief of the poor of Cecil county, a bill to direct the mode of collecting the several taxes imposed on proceedings in the court of chancery, and a further additional supplement to the act to provide for the administration of justice in cases of crimes and misdemeanors in the city and county of Baltimore. A petition from Philip Ford, of Saint-Mary's county, was read and referred.

Leave given to bring in a bill to empower the clerk of Calvert county to remove certain records from the seat of justice to Huntingdon-town.

The report on the petition of James B. Sullivan, was read the second time, and the resolution therein contained assented to.

A petition from Benjamin Chambers, of Kent county, was read and referred.

Mr. M'Pherfon from the committee on the petition of Charles Mankin, delivers a report, in his favour; which was read.

The house adjourns till to-morrow morning.

SATURDAY, December 29, 1804.

THE house met. Present as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read.

A petition from sundry inhabitants of Baltimore county, was read and referred.

The report on the petition of William Gardiner, was read the second time and the resolution therein contained assented to.

A petition from William Livesay, and others, of the city of Baltimore, was read and referred.

Petitions from Peter Houzlot and John Brown, of Baltimore county, and John Beaden, of Montgomery county, praying acts of insolvency, were read and referred.

Mr. Miller delivers a bill, entitled, An act for the benefit of Rebecca Edmondson, Joseph Edmondson, Elizabeth Edmondson, and William Edmondson, children and minors of Joseph Edmondson, deceased; which was read.

The report on the petition of Charles Gardiner was read the second time and the resolution therein contained assented to.

The bill for extending the time of taking the bond of the sheriff of Anne-Arundel county was read the second time, passed, and sent to the senate.

Mr. B. Mackall and Mr. Stephen have leave of absence for a few days.

The resolutions in favour of James B. Sullivan, William Gardiner, and Charles Gardiner, were sent to the senate.

The amendment to the resolution in favour of Elizabeth Johnson was read the second time and agreed to.

A resolution, authorizing the governor and council to contract for the building a house as a depository for the powder belonging to the state, was propounded to the house and read.

Mr. Scott, from the committee on the petition of Benjamin Chambers delivers a report, in his favour; which was read.

Mr. Linthicum, from the committee on the petition of Thomas Nicholls, delivers a report, in his favour; which was read.

Mr. J. Bayly delivers a bill, entitled, An act to direct the mode of collecting the several taxes imposed on proceedings in the court of Chancery; which was read.

The bill authorizing the persons therein named to dispose of certain ground belonging to the society of quakers in the city of Baltimore, was read the second time and passed.

A petition from William Rose, James Booker and Philemon Willis, of Talbot county, and a petition from sundry inhabitants of Talbot county, were read and referred.

Mr. Ellicott delivers a bill, entitled, An act to release unto James Mosher the right of the state of Maryland in and to a lot or parcel of ground therein mentioned; which was read.

Mr. Harwood delivers a bill, entitled, An act for the relief of Colmore Duvall, of Prince-George's county, which was read.

Mr. Cottman delivers a bill, entitled, An act to authorize commissioners to change the place of holding the election in the third election district in Somerset county; which was read.

Mr. Goldsborough delivers a bill, entitled, An act to authorize William Du Bourg, and others, associated professors of a seminary of learning in the vicinity of Baltimore, to admit students to degrees, and to grant diplomas; which was read.

Mr. M'Pherfon delivers a bill, entitled, A further additional supplement to an act, entitled, An act to regulate the inspection of tobacco; which was read.

Mr. Stansbury delivers a bill, entitled, A further additional supplement to the act, entitled, An act to provide for the administration of justice in cases of crimes and misdemeanors in the city and county of Baltimore; which was read.

The bill for the relief of James Doyle, the bill for opening and extending a certain street in the city of Baltimore, and the bill respecting Primrose alley in the city of Baltimore, were severally read the second time and passed.

Mr. Chapman, from the committee on the petition of James Roylton, delivers a report, in his favour; which was read.

Mr. Lloyd, from the committee on the petition of Nathan Harrington and William Marsh Catrop, delivers a report, in their favour; which was read.

Mr. Goldsborough delivers a bill, entitled, An act to authorize Hugh Sherwood, of Huntington, to complete his collection; which was read.

Mr. Bruce delivers a bill, entitled, An act to authorize the sale of certain lots of land lying westward of Fort Cumberland; which was read.

The clerk of the senate delivers the bill to incorporate the Union insurance company of Maryland, and the bill to alter the time of holding the county court in Worcester county, severally endorsed, "will pass;" which were ordered to be engrossed; the bill extending the time for taking the bond of the sheriff of Anne-Arundel county, endorsed, "will pass with the proposed amendments;" which amendments were read, agreed to, and the bill ordered to be engrossed; the further additional supplement to the act to erect a town in Queen-Anne's county, endorsed, "will pass with the proposed amendment;" which amendment was read; 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.

The house adjourns till Monday morning.

MONDAY, December 31, 1804.

THE house met. Present as on Saturday. The proceedings of Saturday were read.

The bill respecting certain lots of land westward of Fort Cumberland, the bill for opening and extending a certain street in the city of Baltimore, the bill respecting Primrose alley in the city of Baltimore, the bill for the relief of James Doyle, and the bill authorizing the persons therein named to dispose of certain ground belonging to the society of quakers in the city of Baltimore, were sent to the senate.

Mr. Barber has leave of absence for the remainder of the session.

A petition from Joshua Barrett, of the city of Annapolis, and a petition from James Roper, of Talbot county, were read and referred.

Leave given to bring in a bill to empower the governor and council to direct the sale of any vacancy or vacancies adjoining to the land lately belonging to the Principio and Nottingham companies.

A petition from Rinaldo Johnson and Elisha Berry, securities of Thomas Williams, late collector of Prince-George's county, was read and referred.

Mr. Alexander delivers a bill, entitled, A further

supplement to an act, entitled, An act for the relief of the poor of Cecil county; which was read.

The further additional supplement to the act to appoint commissioners to examine, survey and lay out, the road therein mentioned, and the further additional supplement to the act to provide for the administration of justice in cases of crimes and misdemeanors in the city of Baltimore, were severally read the second time, passed, and sent to the senate.

Mr. Stuart delivers a bill, entitled, An act to regulate and discipline the militia of this state; which was read.

The bill to authorize commissioners to change the place of holding the election in the third election district in Somerset county, and the bill to straighten and amend the post-road leading from Church-Hill to Centreville, in Queen-Anne's county, were severally read the second time, passed, and sent to the senate.

Mr. Handy, from the committee on the petition of William M. Bevans, delivers a report, in his favour; which was read.

The bill for the relief of Colmore Duvall, was read the second time, and the question put, Shall the bill pass? Determined in the negative.

Leave given to bring in a bill incorporating the justices of the levy courts in the respective counties for the purposes therein mentioned.

The report on the petition of Nathan Harrington and William M. Catrop was read the second time and the resolution therein contained assented to.

The amendments to the further additional supplement to the act to lay out and open a public road from Queen's-town in Queen-Anne's county, were read the second time, the first agreed to, the second disagreed to, and a message sent to the senate on the subject thereof.

Ordered, That when there shall be a motion made to postpone the consideration of any bill, resolution or order, any member shall be at liberty to discuss the merits of the said bill, resolution or order.

The following order was propounded to the house: Ordered, That when the previous question is called for, and regularly before the house, no debate shall take place thereon.

The report on the petition of Charles Mankin was read the second time and the resolution therein contained assented to.

The report on the memorial of the president and trustees of Charlotte Hall School was read the second time, and the question put, That the house concur therewith? Resolved in the affirmative, yeas 37, nays 24.

A memorial from Charles Chilton, of Saint-Mary's county, was read and referred.

Mr. Chapman, from the committee on the petition of Joshua Barrett, delivers a report, in his favour; which was read.

The bill to authorize the sale of certain land belonging to the estate of Stephen Wilson, late of the city of Baltimore, deceased, was read the second time, passed, and sent to the senate.

The bill authorizing the levy courts of Kent and Queen-Anne's counties to levy a sum of money for building a bridge over Chester river, was read the second time, and the question put, Shall the bill pass? Resolved in the affirmative, yeas 43, nays 4.

The following message was read and ordered to lie on the table.

Believing, as we do, that all the business of this house can be acted on by the tenth day of January next, we therefore propose, with the concurrence of the senate, to close the session on that day.

Mr. Montgomery delivers a bill, entitled, An act to withdraw certain funds from the cities of Baltimore, Annapolis, and the town of Easton, and a certain part of said funds from Saint-John's college, and placing the same in the respective treasuries, subject to the appropriation of the legislature; which was read.

Mr. Bayly delivers a bill, entitled, An act to make permanent, and to continue, the acts of assembly therein mentioned; which was read.

Mr. R. Neale delivers a bill, entitled, An act for the benefit of George Ford, of Saint-Mary's county, a minor; which was read.

The house adjourns till to-morrow morning.

TUESDAY, January 1, 1805.

THE house met. Present as on yesterday, except Mr. Barber. The proceedings of yesterday were read.

The bill to lay out and open a road in Queen-Anne's county, was read the second time and passed.

A petition from John Bell, of Baltimore county, praying an act of insolvency, was read and referred.

A memorial and remonstrance from Samuel Ridgely, of Baltimore county, was read and referred.

Mr. Lloyd, from the committee on the petition of William Rose, and others, delivers a report, in their favour; which was read.

Mr. Lloyd delivers a bill, entitled, An act for the benefit of Henry Joseph Stier; which was read.

Mr. Chapman delivers a bill, entitled, An act to prevent the mischiefs arising from the multiplicity of useless dogs in this state; which was read.

According to order, the house took into consideration the bill to provide for the election of the governor by the people, &c. and after proposing several amendments, and going through the bill, the question was put, Will the house refer the further consideration of said bill to next general assembly? Determined in the negative, yeas 20, nays 42.

The question was then put, Shall the said bill pass? The yeas and nays being required appeared as follow: Affirmative. Messieurs R. Neale, W. Neale, Hebb, Mercer, Parnham, Stuart, Chapman, M'Pherfon, Lloyd,