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Legislature of Maryland,

SKETCH OF PROCEEDINGS.

HOUSE OF DELEGATES.

WEDNESDAY, January 16, 1805.

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

The several bills passed, and the resolution in favour of Rinaldo Johnson and Elisha Berry, were sent to the senate.

The report on the petition of Benjamin Fickle was read the second time, and the resolution therein assented to, and sent to the senate.

Petitions from William Beatty, Isaac Smith, Benjamin Rhodes and Joel M. Munton, of Baltimore county, and Singleton Warfield, of Anne-Arundel county, for acts of insolvency, were read and referred.

The report on the petition of Christopher Johnson was read the second time, and the resolution therein assented to, and sent to the senate.

The supplement to the act for the regulation of officers fees, was sent to the senate.

On the second reading of the report of the committee on the communications from the governor of Massachusetts, the same was amended, and the resolutions therein severally assented to.

The clerk of the senate delivers the bill to withdraw certain funds from the cities of Baltimore, Annapolis, and the town of Easton, &c. the bill for the relief of Elizabeth Beall, the bill to authorize the levy court of Prince-George's county to levy a sum of money to build a bridge over the western branch, near Upper-Marlborough, and the bill to change the name of Jeremiah Perry to Jeremiah Perry Davis, severally endorsed, "will pass;" which were ordered to be engrossed; the bill relating to vagrants in the city of Baltimore, the bill to authorize the vestry of Saint-Paul's parish, in Baltimore county, to draw a lottery in the city of Baltimore, the bill to authorize the levy court of Baltimore county to keep in repair the road leading into Pratt-street, the bill to lay out, open and clear a road in Harford county, known by the name of Darlington, &c. and the bill relating to stray black cattle in Allegany county, severally endorsed, "will pass with the proposed amendments;" which amendments were agreed to, and the bill ordered to be engrossed; the supplement to the act for the relief of fundry insolvent debtors, &c. and the bill for the benefit of the representatives of Jeremiah Crabb, severally endorsed, "will not pass;" the resolution in favour of William B. Rafin, and the resolution in favour of Joshua Barrett, severally endorsed, "assented to."

Ordered, That the bill to reform the penal laws of this state, be read the second time to-morrow.

A resolution was assented to, allowing the examiner-general of the western shore a sum, in addition to his fees, to make the sum of three hundred pounds.

A message was sent to the senate, proposing to proceed immediately to the election of two directors in the Union bank, and nominating persons to be voted for, appointing Mr. Stephen and Mr. T. Bayly to examine the ballots, and with a resolution on the subject.

The supplement to the act to authorize the opening a road in Anne-Arundel and Prince-George's counties, was read the second time, and the question put, Shall the bill pass? Determined in the negative.

The amendment to the resolution in favour of John Maddox was read and agreed to.

Mr. B. Mackall delivers a bill, entitled, An act to empower the clerk of Calvert county to remove certain records from the seat of justice; which was read the first and second time and passed.

Ordered, That the report on the communications from the executive relating to the bank stock, respecting the memorial of Benjamin Harwood and Charles Chilton, be read the second time on Friday next.

The house adjourns till to-morrow morning.

THURSDAY, January 17, 1805.

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

A petition from Joseph Roach, of the city of Baltimore, for an act of insolvency, was read and referred.

On the second reading of the amendments to the bill to authorize the vestry of Saint-Paul's parish, in Baltimore county, to draw a lottery in the city of Baltimore, the first was agreed to, the second rejected, and a message sent to the senate on the subject thereof.

The bill to empower the clerk of Calvert county to remove certain records from the seat of justice, and the resolution in favour of the examiner-general, were sent to the senate.

On the second reading of the bill to reform the penal laws of this state, the question was put, Will the house postpone the further consideration thereof till the first day of October next? Resolved in the affirmative, yeas 26, nays 24.

The report on the communications of the governor of Massachusetts was sent to the senate.

Mr. Holbrook, from the committee on the petition of Sarah Stafford, delivers a report against the petitioner; which was read and concurred with.

The report on the petition of Thomas Nicholls, of Simon, was read the second time, the resolution therein assented to, and sent to the senate.

The clerk of the senate delivers the bill for the relief of Henry Joseph Stier, endorsed, "will not pass;" the bill to authorize a lottery or lotteries to raise a sum of money for the improvement of the navigation of the river Susquehanna, endorsed, "will pass;" which was ordered to be engrossed; the resolution in favour of Christopher Johnson, and the resolution in favour of Rinaldo Johnson and Elisha Berry, severally endorsed, "assented to;" and a message, proposing immediately to go into the election of two directors in the Union bank, and appointing members to join in the examination of the ballots; which was read.

A message was sent to the senate, agreeing to go into said election immediately.

The house proceeded to ballot for said directors, and it appeared, on examination of the ballots, that Thomas Dickson and Benjamin Williams had a majority of votes, and were declared elected.

Mr. Scott delivers a bill, entitled, An act for the relief of fundry insolvent debtors; which was read.

A resolution was propounded to the house for appointing persons to fix upon a site for the erection of a penitentiary house; which was agreed to, and sent to the senate.

Mr. Stephen, from the committee on the petition of Samuel Moale, delivers a favourable report; which was read.

The bill to appoint John Shaffer a trustee for the sale of a piece of land, part of the real estate of Jacob Reeve, was referred to the next general assembly.

On the second reading of the supplement to the act to make a temporary allowance to the judges of the general court in addition to their permanent salaries, the question was put, Will the house refer the further consideration of said bill to the next general assembly? Resolved in the affirmative, yeas 31, nays 26.

Ordered, That the bill for the relief of fundry insolvent debtors, be read the second time to-morrow.

The bill to reduce into one the several acts of assembly respecting elections, &c. was read the second time, and will not pass.

The house adjourns till 6 o'clock.

POST MERIDIEM.

THE house met.

The report on the petition of fundry inhabitants of the city and county of Baltimore was read the second time and concurred with.

The report of the committee appointed to bring in a bill to provide for the election of the justices of the levy court by the people, was read the second time, and the question put, Will the house concur therewith? Resolved in the affirmative, yeas 29, nays 25.

On the second reading of the resolution respecting the power of the general assembly to authorize, by law, the people to elect the justices of the levy courts, the first resolution was altered to read "has not a constitutional power to authorize, by a single act or law, the free voters, &c." and the question put, Will the house assent thereto? Resolved in the affirmative, yeas 29, nays 15.

The second resolution was then amended and assented to.

The house adjourns till to-morrow morning.

FRIDAY, January 18, 1805.

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

The bill to reduce into one the several acts of assembly respecting elections, was sent to the senate.

The report on the petition of James Williams was read the second time, and the resolution therein assented to, and sent to the senate.

The bill to make permanent, and to continue, the acts of assembly therein mentioned, and the further supplement to the act to enlarge the powers of the high court of chancery, were severally read the second time, passed, and sent to the senate.

The clerk of the senate delivers the supplement to the act for the regulation of officers fees, the bill to empower the governor and council to direct a sale of any vacancy or vacancies adjoining to the lands lately belonging to the Principio and Nottingham compa-

nies, severally endorsed, "will not pass;" the supplement to the act to incorporate companies to make several turnpike roads through Baltimore county, the bill to empower the clerk of Calvert county to remove certain records from the seat of justice, and the bill to extend the powers of the levycourt of Harford county in the case therein mentioned, severally endorsed, "will pass;" which were ordered to be engrossed; the bill to authorize the sale of certain lots of land lying westward of Fort Cumberland, and the bill to separate Rogers's addition to Baltimore-town from the city of Baltimore, and to make it a part of Baltimore county, severally endorsed, "will pass with the proposed amendments;" which amendments were read; and the bill to authorize the vestry of St. Paul's parish, in Baltimore county, to draw a lottery in the city of Baltimore, with a message, notifying that they had declined reconsidering said bill.

The amendment to said bill was then agreed to, and the bill ordered to be engrossed.

Also the resolution in favour of Benjamin Fickle, the resolution in favour of Thomas Nicholls, the resolution respecting the building a depository for the powder belonging to the state, and the resolution respecting Charlotte Hall school, severally endorsed, "dissented from;" and the resolution in favour of the examiner-general, endorsed, "assented to."

The amendment to the bill to separate Rogers's addition to Baltimore-town from the city of Baltimore, &c. was read the second time, and the question put, Will the house agree to said amendment? The house being equally divided, the question was determined in the negative by the speaker.

According to order, the house took into consideration the report of the committee appointed on the communications respecting the stock in the bank of England, &c. and after amending the same, the resolutions therein were assented to.

The house took into consideration the bill for the relief of fundry insolvent debtors, and after sometime spent in considering the same, adjourned till 6 o'clock.

POST MERIDIEM.

THE house met.

The amendment to the bill to authorize a sale of certain lots of land lying westward of Fort Cumberland, was agreed to, and the bill ordered to be engrossed.

The clerk of the senate delivers the bill to continue the act to incorporate the Maryland insurance company, endorsed, "will pass;" which was ordered to be engrossed; the bill to prevent persons from obstructing the passage of fish up Patapsco river, and the bill for the encouragement of learning, severally endorsed, "will not pass;" with a message respecting the last mentioned bill; which was read; also the report on the communications of the governor of Massachusetts, endorsed, "dissented from;" with a message, and other resolutions on the same subject.

The house resumed the consideration of the bill for the relief of fundry insolvent debtors, and after sometime spent in considering the same, adjourned till to-morrow morning.

SATURDAY, January 19, 1805.

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

Ordered, That the committee of claims close the journal of accounts, including Monday next.

The report on the petition of Thomas Nicholls, of Simon, and the report on the petition of John Gassaway, were severally read the second time, and the resolutions therein assented to, and sent to the senate.

The bill to extend the powers of the trustees of the poor of Montgomery county, was read the second time, passed, and sent to the senate.

The report of the committee appointed to examine the records of the land-office was read the second time, the resolutions therein assented to, and sent to the senate.

The resolutions respecting the stock of this state in the bank of England were sent to the senate.

The report on the petition of Frederick Green was read the second time and rejected.

The engrossed bills from No. 67 to 106, except Nos. 68, 69, 89, 90 and 91, were read and assented to, and with the paper bills thereof, sent to the senate.

The clerk of the senate delivers the bill to make permanent, and to continue, the acts of assembly therein mentioned, endorsed, "will pass;" which was ordered to be engrossed; and the engrossed bills Nos. 52, 69, 89, 90, 91 and 107, with the paper bills thereof, which engrossed bills were severally endorsed, "Read and assented to."

The house resumed the consideration of the bill for the relief of fundry insolvent debtors, and the bill being read throughout, the question was put, Shall the bill pass? Resolved in the affirmative, yeas 40, nays 7, and sent to the senate.