

Petitions from Joshua Allen and Robert Nesbitt, praying special acts of insolvency, and a petition from Thomas Richardson, of Prince-George's county, praying for a public road to his mill, were severally preferred, read, and referred.

Leave given to bring in a bill to extend further the powers of the clerks of the several counties of this state.

On motion, the question was put, That leave be given to bring in a bill, entitled, An act for the gradual abolition of slavery? The yeas and nays being required, appeared as follow:

Affirmative.—Messieurs Comegys, Parnham, Little, Dickinson, Denny, Martin, Smoot, Ward, Cox, Porter, Moffit, Mitchell, Gleaves, Downes, Dalhiell, Biggs, Kuhn, Bayard, Bruce, Beall, Rizer—21.

Negative.—Messieurs Gardiner, Blackstone, Frisby, Belt, Merriken, Williams, C. D. Hodges, Reynolds, P. Stuart, Chapman, M'Pherson, M. Brown, Harryman, Jackson, King, Frazier, Dennis, B. Hodges, Hall, Woodward, White, Saret, Forwood, Ailquith, R. Stuart, Bowles, Schneibly, Carroll, Selby, Darnie—30.

So it was determined in the negative. The report on the petition of John Newton was read the second time, and the resolution therein contained assented to, and sent to the senate.

On motion, the question was put, That the supplement to an act, entitled, An act to ascertain the allowance to jurymen and witnesses of the general court, and several county and orphans courts in this state, be recommitted for amendment. Resolved in the affirmative.

On motion, the question was put, That leave be given to bring in a bill, entitled, An act to withdraw the donations heretofore granted to the several academies and schools within this state, and subject the same to the appropriation of the legislature? The yeas and nays being required, appeared as follow:

Affirmative.—Messieurs Comegys, M. Brown, Smoot, Frazier, Ward, Cox, Porter, Moffit, Mitchell, Woodward, Gleaves, Downes, Bishop, White, King, Street, Woodward, Davis, Bayard, Turpin, Bowles, Schneibly, Watts—23.

Negative.—Messieurs Hebb, W. H. Brown, Gardiner, Blackstone, Frisby, Pearce, Belt, Merriken, Williams, C. D. Hodges, Emerson, Reynolds, P. Stuart, Chapman, Parnham, M'Pherson, Little, Harryman, Denny, Martin, Gale, Winder, Jackson, King, Dennis, B. Hodges, Hall, Shaaff, Sudler, J. Brown, Sturgis, Dalhiell, Hawkins, Waters, Kuhn, Ailquith, R. Stuart, Carroll, Selby, Darnie, Bruce, Beall, Rizer—43.

So it was determined in the negative. Leave given to bring in a bill to increase the salary of the chief judge of the sixth judicial district in this state.

The house adjourns till Monday morning.

MONDAY, December 8, 1806.

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

A petition from sundry inhabitants of Cecil county, praying a road from French-town to intersect the road laid down by the commissioners of Newcastle county, a petition from sundry inhabitants of Cecil county, counter to the petition aforesaid, a petition from Mary Munickhuysen, of Baltimore county, praying she may be authorized to lease out certain property for the benefit of her infant children, a petition from Henry Heshberger, of Frederick county, stating that he is injured by sundry roads running through his land, and praying relief, and a petition from Edmund Channel, of the city of Baltimore, praying to be divorced from his wife, were severally preferred, read, and referred.

The clerk of the senate delivers the resolutions in favour of Anthony Fox and Francis Fairbrother, endorsed "assented to." The bill to confirm and make valid certain proceedings of the orphans courts in different counties of this state, or the justices thereof, and the bill to authorize commissioners to review and lay out a road therein mentioned in Harford county, severally endorsed "will pass." Ordered to be engrossed.

A petition from John Ferguson, of Cecil county, praying to be divorced from his wife, a petition from George Fitzhugh, of Baltimore county, praying compensation for a negro committed to gaol for an attempt to murder and escape therefrom, a petition from Ruth Ferguson, praying to be divorced from her husband, and a petition from Joseph Kennedy, praying a special act of insolvency, were severally preferred, read, and referred.

Mr. Chapman, delivers a bill, entitled, A further additional supplementary act to the act, entitled, An act for quieting possessions, enrolling conveyances, and securing the estates of purchasers; which was read.

Mr. W. H. Brown delivers a bill, entitled, An additional supplement to the act, entitled, An act to ascertain the allowance to jurymen and witnesses of the general court, and the several county and orphans courts in this state; which was read.

Ordered, That the committees appointed on petitions for acts of insolvency be discharged, and that such petitions be referred to Mr. Winder, Mr. Chapman, Mr. Bowles, Mr. Shaaff, Mr. Hawkins, Mr. Woodward and Mr. Little, to consider and report thereon.

Mr. Davis delivers a bill, entitled, An act to restrain the evil practices arising from free negroes keeping dogs, and to prohibit them from carrying guns and offensive weapons; which was read.

Ordered, That the report on the petition of John C. Bond be recommitted for amendment.

Mr. Harryman delivers a report on the petition from the commissioners appointed to superintend the erection of a penitentiary; which was read.

Mr. Denny delivers a bill, entitled, An act to tax bachelors and bank stock for the education of poor children in the several counties in this state; which was read.

On motion the question was put, That the further consideration of the said bill be referred to the next general assembly? Resolved in the affirmative—yeas 35, nays 21.

Mr. R. Stuart delivers a bill, entitled, An act authorizing Thomas Bailey, late sheriff and collector of Baltimore county, to complete his collection, and other purposes; which was read.

On motion, That leave be given to bring in a bill, entitled, An act to tax bank stock? The previous question was called for and put, That the said question be now put? Resolved in the affirmative—yeas 28, nays 27.

The question was then put, That leave be given as prayed? Resolved in the affirmative, and a committee appointed by ballot to prepare and bring in the same.

The clerk of the senate delivers the following message:

We have reconsidered the bill, entitled, An act authorizing the justices of the orphans court to take sheriffs bonds, and have agreed to recede from our amendment.

Which was read, and the bill ordered to be engrossed. The bill for the relief of George Washington Sykes, endorsed "will not pass." The bill to incorporate the stockholders of the Mechanics Bank, the bill supplementary to the act to incorporate the stockholders in the Union Bank of Maryland, the supplement to the act to alter the mode of collecting the county tax in Harford county, and the bill authorizing a lottery for raising a sum of money for the rector and vestry of Saint Thomas's parish, in Baltimore county, severally endorsed "will pass." Ordered to be engrossed. The resolution relative to the repairs of the senate chamber, &c. endorsed "assented to." And the following message:

Your message of the 25th instant, proposing a joint committee on the subject therein mentioned, has had our serious consideration, and as we do not perceive the advantages that would result from a conference thereon, we beg leave to decline the same.

Which was read. Mr. Carroll delivers a report on the petition from sundry inhabitants of Montgomery county, against the petitioners; which was read.

A petition from William R. Sewell, of Calvert county, praying a special act of insolvency, was preferred, read, and referred.

Mr. Hebb delivers a bill, entitled, An act to prohibit the emigration of free negroes into this state; which was read.

Mr. Comegys delivers a bill, entitled, An act for the encouragement of learning in this state, and for other purposes; which was read.

Ordered, That the same have a second reading on Tuesday the 16th instant.

Ordered, That the report relative to the resolutions proposed by the legislature of Tennessee have a second reading to-morrow.

The house proceeded to the second reading of the additional supplement to the act for regulating the mode of staying execution, and repealing the acts of assembly therein mentioned, and for other purposes, and after amending the same, the question was put, That the further consideration thereof be postponed until to-morrow? Resolved in the affirmative.

A petition from sundry inhabitants of Cecil county, stating, that the law passed last session, to lay out and open a road from the Pennsylvania line, will be injurious to them, and praying relief, was preferred, read, and referred.

Leave given to bring in a bill respecting certain suits in the chancery court.

The house adjourns till to-morrow morning.

TUESDAY, December 9, 1806.

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

A petition from sundry inhabitants of the first election district of Baltimore county, praying an alteration in the place of holding the election, a petition from sundry inhabitants of Baltimore county, stating that they have sundry bills of credit in their possession, and praying compensation therefor, a petition from Daniel Bowley, of the city of Baltimore, praying an alteration in the direction of Granby-street, and a petition from sundry inhabitants of Harford county, praying that the levy court may be elected by the people, were severally preferred, read, and referred.

Mr. Hall delivers a report on the petition of John Spriggs, against the petitioner; which was read and concurred with.

The bill authorizing Thomas Bailey, late sheriff and collector of Baltimore county, to complete his collection, was read the second time, passed, and sent to the senate.

Mr. Little delivers a bill, entitled, An act for the benefit of John Munickhuysen, Jacob Munickhuysen, William Munickhuysen and Edward Munickhuysen, minors, of Baltimore county; which was read.

Mr. Woodward delivers a bill, entitled, An act to authorize and empower the sney court of Prince-George's county to assess and levy a sum of money for the purpose therein mentioned; which was read the first and second time, passed, and sent to the senate.

The house resumed the consideration of the additional supplement to the act for regulating the mode of

staying execution, and repealing the acts of assembly therein mentioned, and for other purposes, and the question was put, Shall the said bill pass? Resolved in the affirmative, and sent to the senate.

According to order, the house proceeded to the second reading of the bill to regulate and discipline the militia of this state, and after making some amendments thereto, the question was put, That the further consideration of said bill be postponed until to-morrow? Resolved in the affirmative.

The house adjourns till to-morrow morning.

PHILIP REID, Esq; of Kent county, was, on Friday last, elected a senator of this state in the senate the United States for the term of six years from the third day of March next.

WILLIAM SOMERVELL, Esq; of Calvert county, was, the same day, elected a senator of this state, vice THOMAS DUCKETT, Esq; deceased.

Tuesday last anchored in Severn, H. I. M. ship L'Eole, of 74 guns.—The guns having been previously taken out, and the Channel bouyed, she was safely brought in, and now lies in near five fathoms water.—The tide was that day 18 inches less than our common tides.—The Patriot is repairing, and, we are informed, will sail in all this month for the Havana.

On Saturday last the bill suspending the non-importation act, to the 1st day of July next, passed the house of representatives of the United States—yeas 101—nays 5.

Letters from Lancaster, dated Tuesday evening last says, that the Assembly and Senate of this state met that day agreeable to law, and there being a quorum in both houses they proceeded to business, and the Senate had chosen Mr. Lane, Speaker, by a majority of one vote, and that the lower house had chosen Simon Snyder, Speaker, by the same majority, having 42 to 41 against him. [Phil. Pap.]

BALTIMORE, December 8.

LATEST FROM EUROPE.

By the Caravan, Gilchrist, from Holland, we have accounts to the 14th, October; several days the latest.—They state, that the negotiations between Great-Britain and France were breaking off; and that lord Lauderdale was to leave Paris on the 13th October. [Our readers will recollect, that lord Howick informed the lord Mayor of London, that his lordship was to leave Paris on the 9th October.]—That it was reported at Rotterdam, that a conference was to take place between the emperor Napoleon, the king of Prussia, and king Louis, of Holland, before hostilities were resorted to—[If this report be true, as we suspect it is, the issue of the conference may be predicted—Frederick II. will consent to cede Westphalia, and the country of Mark to "brother Louis;" as an indemnification for the trouble the Emperor has been at;—the three Monarchs will then shake hands;—and Napoleon, and Talleyrand, will return to Paris, to ripen new projects of agrandizement.—And all this may be, notwithstanding the late warlike appearances in Prussia.—She has been in the practice of appearing in earnest when only in jest; while Buonaparte is always in earnest, and despises boy's play.]—That the imperial and royal meeting was to be on the 8th October; and that king Louis set out from the Hague the 5th; probably to repair to the place of meeting.

By the Pilgrim, capt. Wheelright, from Rotterdam, we have received Holland papers to the 17th October.—They are full of war looking movements in France, Prussia, Russia, &c.—The Prussian army had actually been joined by 20,000 Saxons; and the Russians, in much strength—though at a great distance—were on the march for Germany. Every engine within the control of Buonaparte, appeared to be in motion, to give effect and success and to his attack on Prussia. At the same time the negotiations were still in operation between France and Prussia; and there were men of deep calculation who pronounced that war with Prussia would not take place. Such is the riddle.

One thing appears certain—the continuation of the war—Great-Britain and Russia against France.

From Spain. Capt. Clarke from Cadiz, arrived yesterday, informs, that when he sailed, a fleet of ten sail of the line, (nine French and one Spanish, the remains of the combined fleet defeated off Trafalgar) had dropped down, with wood and water a-board, to proceed to sea the first opportunity.—It was conjectured they were bound to the Spanish Main; and that Admiral Collingwood with four sail of the line, was cruising off the harbour. Steele's list for October makes the force of Spain, Gibraltar, &c. 11 sail of the line. [Boston Centinel.]

Important caution.—Directions by which a person may save himself from drowning: if he fall into deep water, he will rise to the surface by floatage, and continue there if he do not elevate his hands, and keeping of them down is essential to his safety. If he moves his hands under the water, in any way he pleases, his head will rise so high as to give him free liberty to breathe; and if, in addition, he move his legs exactly in the act of walking up stairs, his shoulders will rise above the water, so that he may use less exertion with his hands, or apply them to other purposes. [London Paper.]

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