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LEGISLATURE.

HOUSE OF DELEGATES, MARYLAND.

WEDNESDAY, November 25, 1807.

THE house met. Present as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read. Mr. Brice appeared in the house. Mr. Ayres has leave of absence.

Mr. Dorsey delivers a favourable report on the petition of Richard Choate; which was read.

A petition from John Barnhart, and Sarah Barnhart his wife, of the city of Baltimore, a petition from Nancy Myers, of the city of Baltimore, a petition from Waltera Diring, of Baltimore county, severally praying for a divorce, a memorial from the levy court of Baltimore county, praying they may be authorized to make an exchange of part of the almost property, a petition from sundry inhabitants of the city of Baltimore, praying an extension of Pratt street, and a petition from Mary Gwinn, of Frederick county, praying she may be authorized to convey devise certain real property, were severally preferred, read and referred.

On motion, Ordered, That the second reading of a bill to incorporate the stockholders of the Hagar's-town bank, be postponed until Friday next.

Mr. B. Hodges delivers a bill, entitled, An act to establish a public road in Prince-George's county, in Lansdale's Branch to intersect a road leading to Oyster-shell landing on the Patuxent river; which was twice read, passed, and, with the resolution in favour of the justices of the levy court of Baltimore county, sent to the senate.

The bill annulling the marriage of Patrick Sim, Ariana his wife, the supplement to the act to authorize commissioners to review and lay out a part of a road therein mentioned, and the bill annulling the marriage of Britannia Marshall, of Dorchester county, were severally read the second time, passed, and sent to the senate.

Mr. P. Spencer appeared in the house.

On the second reading of the report on the petition of Frederick Green, the question was put, That blank therein be filled up with the words "five dred?" Determined in the negative.

The question was then put on four hundred and fifty and resolved in the affirmative.

The following order was read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the clerk of the council be requested to produce to this house the receipt given by Frederick Green in the settlement of his claim for printing by the laws of Maryland with the governor and council of this state.

The question was then put, That the house concur with the said report, and assent to the resolution therein contained? Determined in the negative, yeas 34.

Mr. Levin Winder, a delegate from Somerset county, appeared, qualified, and took his seat.

Ordered, That Mr. Bruce, Mr. Bowles and Mr. Blinson, be a committee to inquire into the expediency of granting a sum of money for the purpose of digging and improving that part of the road lying between the point of termination of the Baltimore pike road in Washington county, and the commencement of the great western road at Cumberland.

The clerk of the senate delivers a bill, entitled, A further supplement to the act, entitled, An act to incorporate companies to make several turnpike roads through Baltimore county, and for other purposes, passed, "will pass;" which was read. And the further supplement to the act for appointing a wrecker in Worcester county, endorsed, "will pass." referred to be engrossed.

The resolution in favour of Richard Choate was read the second time and assented to.

On motion, the question was put, That the house consider the report on the petition of Julia Cook? Resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the said report be recommitted.

On motion, the question was put, That the house assent with the 17th rule thereof? Resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That Mr. Winder, and Mr. Gale, of Somerset county, be added to the committee appointed to bring a bill to regulate and discipline the militia of this state.

Leave given to bring in a bill to extend further powers of the levy court of Allegany county respecting roads in said county, and for other purposes. The house adjourns till to-morrow morning.

THURSDAY, November 26, 1807.

THE house met. Present as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read. Mr. Ayres and Mr. Davis appeared in the house. Mr. John Williams, a delegate for Worcester county, Mr. John J. Cox, a delegate for Cecil county, and Mr. Thomas Blakistone, a delegate for Saint-Mary's county, appeared, qualified, and took their seats.

The resolution in favour of Richard Choate was sent to the senate.

A petition from Frances M'Elvain, of Montgomery county, praying that the title to property conveyed by her to Henry Hawkins Young may be confirmed, and a petition from William Evans, of the city of Baltimore, praying a divorce, were preferred, read, and referred.

Mr. T. Dorsey delivers a bill, entitled, An act for the sale of the real estate of James Winchester, late of Baltimore county, deceased; which was read.

A petition from John Dashiell, of Worcester county, stating that there is an error in the date of a deed from Isaac Dixon to him, and praying relief, and a petition from Catharine Johnson, of Charles county, stating that she is unable to support her afflicted daughter, and praying relief, were preferred, read, and referred.

Mr. Stewart delivers unfavourable reports on the petitions of John and Sarah Barnhart, and Mary Myers; which were twice read and concurred with.

Ordered, That the bill to lay out and make a public road in Baltimore county, be recommitted for amendment.

The report on the petition of William Ferguson was read the second time, and the question put, That the house concur therewith, and assent to the resolution therein contained? Determined in the negative, yeas 24, nays 32.

Mr. Merriken delivers an unfavourable report on the petition of Thomas Stinchcomb; which was twice read and concurred with.

Leave given to bring in a bill for the purchase of a library for the use of the legislature.

A petition from Galloway Watkins, of Anne-Arundel county, late an officer in the American army, praying some assistance, a petition from Rinaldo Johnson, on behalf of the securities of Thomas Williams, late collector of the tax in Prince-George's county, praying to be refunded certain poundage fees, and interest thereon, and a petition from Elisha Hopkins, of Anne-Arundel county, praying to be reimbursed for taxes overpaid by him, were preferred, read, and referred.

On motion, the question was put, That leave be given to bring in a bill, entitled, A supplement to an act, entitled, An act to establish a bank, and incorporate the subscribers thereto? Resolved in the affirmative, yeas 32, nays 31.

Mr. Carroll delivers a bill, entitled, An act for the relief of Henry Hawkins Young, of Montgomery county; which was read.

A petition from Margaretta Chalmers, and Alexander Chalmers her son, of Kent county, praying that the title to certain land be vested in said Margaretta Chalmers, was preferred, read, and referred.

Mr. Hawkins delivers a bill, entitled, An act for the relief of Mary Gwinn, of Frederick county; which was read.

Mr. J. E. Spencer delivers a bill, entitled, An act to make valid a deed from Isaac Dixon to John Dashiell, for part of a tract of land called Dixon's Green, which was read.

Mr. Bayard delivers a bill, entitled, An act to erect a new bridge over Great-Choptank river, in Caroline county; which was read.

A petition from David Streett, of Harford county, praying the levy court of said county may be authorized to levy damages sustained by him, agreeably to the return of certain commissioners, was preferred, read, and referred.

Mr. Stewart delivers an unfavourable report on the petition of William Evans; which was twice read and concurred with.

Leave given to bring in a further supplement to the act relating to negroes, and a bill authorizing Benjamin Ray, late sheriff and collector of Montgomery county, to complete his collection.

The clerk of the senate delivers the resolution in favour of the justices of the levy court of Baltimore county, endorsed, "assented to."

Mr. Hopewell has leave of absence.

The further supplement to an act, entitled, An act for the relief of sundry insolvent debtors, was read the second time, and the question put, Shall the said bill pass? Resolved in the affirmative, yeas 39, nays 25.

On motion, the question was put, That the further consideration of the bill to punish blasphemers, swearers, drunkards and sabbath breakers, and for repealing the laws heretofore made for the punishing such offenders, be referred to the first day of June

next? Resolved in the affirmative, yeas 36, nays 25.

FRIDAY, November 27, 1807.

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

The further supplement to the act for the relief of sundry insolvent debtors, was sent to the senate.

A memorial from Thomas Harris, clerk of the court of appeals for the western shore, praying that the governor and council may be empowered to examine the records of his office, and to have such as are defaced transcribed, and others bound, if necessary, was preferred, read, and referred.

The resolution in favour of William Amos, senior, of Harford county, was read the second time, assented to, and sent to the senate.

A memorial from sundry inhabitants of Charles county, praying certain roads in said county may be declared public highways, was preferred, read, and referred.

Mr. O. Williams delivers a favourable report on the petition of Elisha Hopkins; which was read.

Leave given to bring in a further supplement to the act, entitled, An act relating to the public roads in Queen-Anne's county.

Ordered, That the bill to establish a chancery court on the eastern shore of this state, &c. have a second reading on Thursday next.

According to order, the house proceeded to the second reading of the bill to incorporate the stockholders of the Hagar's-town bank, and, on motion, the question was put, That the further consideration thereof be postponed? Determined in the negative.

After making several amendments to said bill, the question was put, That the house now adjourn? Determined in the negative.

The bill being read throughout, the question was put, Shall the said bill pass? Resolved in the affirmative, yeas 51, nays 15.

Mr. T. Dorsey delivers a bill, entitled, An act for the enlargement of the city of Baltimore, in Baltimore county; which was read.

Mr. T. Dorsey delivers a bill, entitled, An act to confirm certain deeds of conveyance made to Joseph Leonard, and other persons therein mentioned; which was read.

Mr. Gale, of Kent, delivers a bill, entitled, An act for the benefit of Margaretta Chalmers; which was read.

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

A memorial from the trustees of Baltimore college, praying an amendment to their charter, and to be exempt from paying license for drawing their lottery, was preferred, read, and referred.

Mr. Carroll delivers a bill, entitled, An act authorizing Benjamin Ray, late sheriff and collector of Montgomery county, to complete his collection; which was read.

The house adjourns till to-morrow morning.

SATURDAY, November 28, 1807.

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

The speaker laid before the house the return of the judges of the election for Washington county; which was read and referred.

Mr. William Gabby, a delegate returned for Washington county, appeared, qualified, and took his seat.

The bill to make valid a deed from Isaac Dixon to John Dashiell for part of a tract of land called Dixon's Green, was read the second time, passed, and sent to the senate.

The bill to incorporate the stockholders of the Hagar's-town bank, was sent to the senate.

A memorial from Ignatius Middleton, of Charles county, counter to the memorial of sundry inhabitants of said county, and a petition from the Lutheran and Presbyterian congregations, praying to be authorized to sell a parcel of land for the benefit thereof, were preferred, read, and referred.

The bill for the benefit of the vestry of the German evangelic Lutheran congregation in and about Elizabeth-town at Saint-John's church, in Washington county, was read the second time, passed, and sent to the senate.

A petition from sundry inhabitants of Harford county, praying a certain road may be declared a public highway, was preferred, read, and referred.

Mr. W. H. Brown delivers a bill, entitled, A further supplement to the act, entitled, An act relating to negroes; which was read.

On the second reading of the supplement to the act to prevent free negroes from selling any corn, wheat or tobacco, without having a license for that purpose