

According to order, the house proceeded to the second reading of the bill authorizing and empowering, the drawing of certain lotteries for the purposes therein mentioned, and the question was put, That the further consideration of the same be referred to the first day of June next? Resolved in the affirmative, yeas 31, nays 27.

The house adjourns till to-morrow morning.

THURSDAY, January 14, 1808.

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

The supplement to the act for the valuation of the real and personal property within this state, the bill to authorize William Handy and James Ritchie to sell and dispose of the real estate of Isaac Handy, the bill for the relief of Edward Henry, the bill authorizing the commissioners to superintend the building of the penitentiary to exchange with the justices of the levy court of Baltimore county the property therein mentioned, the address to the president, and the resolution relative to the embargo, were sent to the senate.

A petition from sundry inhabitants of Fredericktown and county, praying for a road, and petitions from said county, counter thereto, were preferred, read, and referred.

Leave given to bring in a bill, entitled, A supplement to an act, entitled, An additional supplement to an act, entitled, An act relating to negroes, and to repeal the acts of assembly therein mentioned.

The clerk of the senate delivers the bill authorizing John Mitchell, late sheriff and collector of Caroline county, to complete his collection, the supplement to the act authorizing a lottery for raising a sum of money for repairing Saint-George's church, in Harford county, the bill to correct a mistake in the beginning of lot number twenty-two in the town of Vienna, the bill for the relief of Benjamin Morris, the supplement to the act for the benefit of Margareta Chambers, the supplement to the act to incorporate the charitable marine society of Baltimore, the bill to appoint and authorize commissioners to review and lay out the road therein mentioned in Harford county, the bill to continue certain acts of assembly, the bill for the relief of Jonathan Edwards and Gilbert Middleton, the bill for the relief of George Gray, the bill to enable Margaret and Harriet Hammond to build a bridge across Patapsco river, and the supplement to the act to amend and explain the thirty-third section of an act, entitled, An act for the more effectual paving the streets of Baltimore-town, severally endorsed, "will pass." Ordered to be engrossed. The bill relative to writs of *capias ad satisfaciendum*, the bill to prevent the anchoring of vessels in the fisheries on Susquehanna river, and at the head of the Chesapeake bay, the further supplement to the act for the regulation and improvement of Denton, in Caroline county, the bill to lay out and open a straight road from Ferguson Smith's to Marley mills, and the bill to regulate and discipline the militia of this state, severally endorsed, "will pass with the proposed amendments;" which amendments were agreed to, and the bills ordered to be engrossed. The bill authorizing William Moffitt to complete his collection, endorsed, "will pass with the proposed amendment;" which amendment was read. And the following resolution:

Resolved, That from and after the present session of assembly, no private act, nor any bill for laying out any new road, or for altering and extending any old road, within this state, shall pass the legislature upon any petition or application whatever, unless notice be given by the petitioners, or other applicants, in some news-paper printed in the county where the petitioner resides, if of a personal nature, or in the county where the road proposed will run, if respecting a road, provided there be a news-paper published in that county, and if there be no news-paper printed in such county, then in some news-paper printed in Baltimore city, unless the petitioner resides on the eastern shore of Maryland, or the road proposed be on the eastern shore, in either of which cases, the paper printed at Easton shall be used instead of a paper printed in Baltimore city, for four successive weeks, and by advertising at the court-house door of the county where such petitioners or applicants reside, at least four weeks before such petition or application be made to the general assembly, that a petition is intended to be preferred, mentioning in such notice, the substance of such petition; and that evidence of the notice be produced upon hearing such petition.

Resolved, That the executive of this state, in order to give public notice of the above resolution, cause the same to be published in such news-papers of this state as they think best calculated for that purpose.

Which was read.

Mr. Little delivers a bill, entitled, An act annulling the marriage of Susanna Beamer and Frederick Beamer, of Baltimore county; which was read.

The bill to incorporate the New-Market fire company in the precincts of Baltimore, was read the second time, and passed.

According to order, the house proceeded to the second reading of the bill to prevent, for a limited time, the sale of lands or tenements, goods or chattels, on writs of execution, and for other purposes, and after making several amendments thereto, the further consideration thereof was postponed till to-morrow.

The following resolution was read.

Resolved, That the printer to the state print — hundred copies of the militia law of this state, to which the militia law of congress shall be annexed; and it shall be the duty of the executive of Maryland to forward, as soon as possible, to each major-general — copies, to each brigadier-general —

copies, to each commanding officer of a regiment — copies, to be distributed in his regiment; and the treasurer of the western shore is hereby authorized to pay the expense of the same out of any unappropriated money in the treasury.

The house adjourns till to-morrow morning.

FRIDAY, January 15, 1808.

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

The bill to incorporate the New-Market fire company in the precincts of Baltimore, was sent to the senate.

The engrossed bills from No. 1 to No. 40, inclusive, were read and assented to, and, with the paper bills thereof, sent to the senate.

On the second reading of the bill to make the bridge built by Zenas Wells over Principio creek, in Cecil county, a toll-bridge, the question was put, That the further consideration of the same be referred to the first day of June next? Resolved in the affirmative.

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

A petition from John Read Magruder, clerk of Prince-George's county court, praying that some of the records in his office may be transcribed, and a general alphabet made, was preferred, read, and referred.

On the second reading of the bill to provide for the making passable through Baltimore county the public road laid out from the city of Baltimore to the town of Belle-Air in Harford county, &c. an amendment was received thereto, and the question put, Shall the said bill pass? Resolved in the affirmative; and sent to the senate.

A petition from John Shank, of Washington county, praying commissioners may be appointed to view the ground whereon a road is to run through his land, was preferred, read, and referred.

Mr. T. Dorsey delivers a report on the resolutions of the legislature of Vermont; which was read.

Mr. C. Dorsey, from the secret committee, delivers a report; which was read.

Mr. Green delivers a favourable report on the petition of Bennett Hamilton and Charles Sewell; which was read.

Mr. Little delivers a bill, entitled, An act to establish a market and to build a market-house in the eastern precincts of Baltimore, and for the regulation of the same; which was read.

The bill authorizing the sale of five thousand tickets in a lottery of the state of Pennsylvania for the encouragement of useful arts, was read the second time, passed, and sent to the senate.

Mr. Mitchell delivers a report on the finances of the state; which was read.

The following resolutions were read.

Resolved, That the treasurer of the western shore, under the direction of the governor and council, subscribe, on the part of the state, on account of the stock reserved in the Mechanics Bank of Baltimore, the sum of — dollars, and on account of the stock reserved as aforesaid in the Farmers Bank of Maryland, the sum of — dollars, and also on account of the stock reserved as aforesaid in the Hagar's-town Bank, the sum of — dollars, and that the amount thereof be paid out of any unappropriated money in the treasury.

Resolved, That the treasurer of the western shore be and he is hereby authorized and directed to invest the sum of 30,000 dollars in the — turnpike stock.

The resolution relative to printing the militia law was read the second time and assented to.

Mr. Shaaff delivers a favourable report on the memorial of John Kilty; which was read.

The speaker laid before the house a letter from the treasurer, enclosing an estimate of the money expended on the public buildings; which was read.

On the second reading of the bill to authorize the sale of the right of Baltimore county to part of a lot of ground in the city of Baltimore, the question was put, That the further consideration of the same be postponed until the first day of June next? Resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Stevens delivers a bill, entitled, A further additional supplement to an act, entitled, An act relating to negroes; and Mr. Enalls delivers a bill, entitled, A supplement to an act, entitled, An act for the speedy recovery of small debts out of court, and to repeal the acts of assembly therein mentioned; which were read.

The clerk of the senate delivers the bill to authorize William Handy and James Ritchie to sell and dispose of the real estate of Isaac Handy, the bill to vest certain powers in the orphans court of Charles county, the bill to incorporate the New-Market fire company in the precincts of Baltimore, the bill investing the justices of the levy courts of the several counties in this state with further powers, and the bill authorizing the commissioners to superintend the building the state penitentiary to exchange with the justices of the levy court of Baltimore county the property therein mentioned, severally endorsed, "will pass." Ordered to be engrossed. The supplement to the act for the valuation of the real and personal property within this state, and the further supplement to the act to incorporate companies to make several turnpike roads through Baltimore county, severally endorsed, "will pass with the proposed amendments;" which amendments were agreed to, and the bills ordered to be engrossed. The resolutions in favour of Rinaldo Johnson, and Joseph Howard, and others, severally endorsed, "assented to." Also the resolution in favour of John Lynch, endorsed, "dissented from." And the following message:

We received your message, and the resolution in favour of John Lynch, with the accompanying papers. This resolution was dissented from by the senate after mature deliberation, and we cannot agree to reconsider it.

Which was read.

The house resumed the consideration of the bill to prevent, for a limited time, the sale of lands or tenements, goods or chattels, &c. which being read throughout, the question was put, That the same be reprinted? Resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Hall delivers a bill, entitled, An act to provide for the transcribing of certain land records in Prince-George's county, and for making out an alphabet to the same; which was twice read, and passed.

Mr. Bowles delivers a bill, entitled, An act authorizing the levy court of Washington county to appoint commissioners to review the road therein mentioned; which was twice read and passed.

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

The following resolution was twice read and assented to:

Resolved, That the treasurer of the western shore pay to the examiner-general of the western shore such sum, in addition to his fees for the year eighteen hundred and seven, as shall amount to the sum of three hundred pounds current money; and the examiner-general shall lay before the next session of assembly the amount of fees by him received in this year on oath.

The bill authorizing the court of chancery to decree in the case therein mentioned, the bill for the preservation of the navigation of Cabin creek, and the bill for the preservation of the navigation of the north-west branch of Nanticoke river, were read the second time, and passed.

Mr. Little delivers a report on the communication of the executive; which was read.

On motion, the question was put, That the further consideration of the further additional supplement to the act to create Baltimore-town, in Baltimore county, into a city, &c. be postponed until the first day of June next? Determined in the negative.

Ordered, That the same have a second reading to-morrow.

The house proceeded to the second reading of the bill to fix and establish the pay of the adjutant-general and brigade inspectors, and after filling up the blanks therein, and reading the bill throughout, the question was put, Shall the said bill pass? Resolved in the affirmative.

The house adjourns till to-morrow morning.

SAURDAY, January 16, 1808.

THE house met. Present as on yesterday, except the speaker.

The house proceeded to the choice of a speaker pro tem. when Levin Winder, Esquire, was unanimously elected.

The proceedings of yesterday were read.

The bill to fix and establish the pay of the adjutant-general and brigade inspectors, the bill authorizing the levy court of Washington county to appoint commissioners to review the road therein mentioned, the bill to provide for the transcribing certain land records in Prince-George's county, and for making out an alphabet to the same, the bill for the preservation of the navigation of the north-west branch of Nanticoke river, the bill for the preservation of the navigation of Cabin creek, the bill authorizing the court of chancery to decree in the case therein mentioned, the resolution in favour of the examiner-general, and the resolution relative to the militia law, were sent to the senate.

The report on the petition of Bennett Hamilton and Charles Sewell was read the second time, and the resolution therein assented to.

The house resumed the consideration of the bill to prevent, for a limited time, the sale of lands or tenements, goods or chattels, &c. and the same being read throughout, the question was put, Shall the said bill pass? Resolved in the affirmative, yeas 49, nays 9.

The bill for the benefit of the representatives of Josiah P. Proctor, was referred to the next general assembly.

The following resolution was read:

Resolved, That the chancellor be and he is hereby authorized to consider and decree upon the claim of John Smith Brooks, for payment of a depreciation certificate issued by Christopher Richmond, late auditor of the state, to George Wilson, late a soldier in the — regiment of the Maryland line, on the seventeenth day of June, seventeen hundred and eighty-four, which said certificate is alleged by the state to have been fraudulently obtained, and that the attorney-general be called upon by the chancellor to attend at the hearing of said case, then and there to show cause, if any he may have, why the state should not pay to the said John Smith Brooks, beaver and owner of said certificate, the amount of principal and interest of said certificate; and should the decree of the chancellor be in favour of the said John Smith Brooks, that then and in such case the treasurer of western shore be and he is hereby authorized to receive the said certificate, and to apply the same, principal and interest, to the credit of the said John Smith Brooks on his bond in the treasury.

The further additional supplement to the act to create Baltimore-town, in Baltimore county, into a city, and to incorporate the inhabitants thereof, was read the second time, and the question was put, Shall the said bill pass? Resolved in the affirmative, yeas 35, nays 16.