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### Legislature of Maryland.

#### HOUSE OF DELEGATES.

TUESDAY, December 13, 1808.

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

The bill to revive and continue the act authorizing Joseph Green, late sheriff and collector of Charles county, to complete his collection, the bill to authorize the levy court of Prince-George's county to assess and levy on the assessable property of said county a sum of money for the purposes therein mentioned, the bill for the benefit of the corporation of the Roman Catholic clergymen, the further additional supplement to the act to incorporate companies to make several turnpike roads through Baltimore county, and for other purposes, and the message proposing to close the session, were sent to the senate.

A petition from James Cochran, of Cecil county, praying further time to complete his collection, and a petition from Lydia Lucas, of the city of Baltimore, praying a divorce, were preferred, read and referred.

Mr. Hopper delivers a bill, entitled, An act to lay out and open a road in Prince-George's county; which was read.

The report on the petition of Robert Halkersflope was read the second time, the resolution therein contained assented to, and sent to the senate.

Mr. Carroll delivers an unfavourable report on the petition of sundry inhabitants of Baltimore and Anne-Arundel counties; which was twice read and considered with.

A petition from sundry inhabitants of Cecil county, in relation to the petition for a bridge over Susquehanna river, and a petition from Rinaldo Johnson, of Prince-George's county, praying interest on £140 14 7 from June, 1792, to June, 1802, were preferred, read and referred.

On motion, the question was put, That the committee appointed to bring in a bill, entitled, An act to make an appropriation for the purpose of purchasing arms for the militia of this state, be discharged? Determined in the negative.

Mr. Downey delivers a bill, entitled, An act authorizing the levy court of Washington county, to assess and levy a sum of money for the purposes therein mentioned; which was twice read, passed, and sent to the senate.

Mr. Page delivers a favourable report on the petition of John Smith Brooks; which was read.

The clerk of the senate delivers the following message:

We have received your message, proposing an adjournment on the 20th of this month. The senate with an anxious solicitude to close the session as early as the public good will admit of it; and a due regard to the interest of our constituents demand it as a matter of course. Impressed with the opinion, that every subject proper and essential for our deliberations may be considered by the 17th instant, we request a reconsideration of the question of adjournment, and that you will agree to close the session on that day. Which was read.

The bill to extend further the powers of the commissioners of Elizabeth-town, in Washington county, was read the second time, passed, and sent to the senate.

A petition from Thomas Rowe, praying a divorce, and a petition from sundry inhabitants of Worcester county, praying for a bridge over the head of Pitt's creek, were preferred, read and referred.

Mr. Stevens delivers a bill, entitled, An act to change and abolish all such parts of the constitution and form of government as relate to field-officers holding a seat in the general assembly of this state; which was read.

Mr. Mitchell delivers a bill, entitled, An act authorizing James Cochran to complete his collection; which was twice read, passed, and sent to the senate.

Leave given to bring in a bill to pay the civil list, and other expenses of civil government, a bill to incorporate a company to make a turnpike road from the upper mill, through Anne-Arundel and Montgomery counties, to intersect the line of the district of Columbia, in the straightest practicable direction, and ending in the district of Columbia.

The house proceeded to the second reading of the bill to amend the act for the speedy recovery of small debts out of court, and to repeal the acts of assembly therein mentioned, which being read throughout, the question was put, Shall the said bill pass? Determined in the negative, yeas 12, nays 56.

Mr. Bowles delivers a bill, entitled, An act to amend the civil list, and other expenses of civil government; which was read.

The clerk of the senate delivers the bill authorizing a lottery to raise a sum of money for the purpose of rebuilding Benjamin church, in Frederick county, the bill authorizing a lottery to raise a sum of money for the purposes therein mentioned, the bill authorizing a lottery to raise a sum of money for the purpose of repairing the parsonage-house and the church belonging to the German evangelical lutheran congregation in Frederick-town, and the supplement to the act authorizing a lottery to raise a sum of money for the purpose of finishing the steeple of St. John's church, in Elizabeth-town, severally endorsed, "will pass." Ordered to be engrossed. The supplement to the act to incorporate a school in Allegany county, by the name of Allegany County School, and the bill for the more effectual preservation of the breed of wild deer in Dorchester county, severally endorsed, "will not pass."

Mr. Hodges has leave of absence.

Mr. Bayly delivers a bill, entitled, An act authorizing and empowering Stephen Collins and Whittington Polk to dispose of the lands therein mentioned, and a bill, entitled, An act for the relief and benefit of John Moor, of Somerset county; which were read.

Mr. Hopper delivers a bill, entitled, A further additional supplement to an act, entitled, An act for erecting buildings for the use of the poor in Queen-Anne's county, and for other purposes; which was read.

Mr. Scott delivers the bill, entitled, A further supplement to an act, entitled, An act for the better regulation of apprentices, as amended; which was read.

The following message was agreed to. Upon reconsideration of the 8th amendment to the bill, entitled, An act to incorporate the union manufacturing company of Maryland, we have agreed to recede therefrom.

The bill granting leave to the trustees of Lower West Nottingham congregation in Cecil county, and their successors, to receive a deed or deeds for and hold the lands therein mentioned, was read the second time, and passed.

Mr. Herbert delivers a bill, entitled, A further additional supplement to an act relating to negroes, and to repeal the acts of assembly therein mentioned; which was read.

On motion, the question was put, That the further consideration of the bill to alter, change and abolish all such parts of the constitution and form of government of this state as relate to the manner of voting in the two houses of the legislature, be referred to the next general assembly? Resolved in the affirmative, yeas 37, nays 24.

Mr. Bland delivers a bill, entitled, An act for the relief of William Patton, of the city of Baltimore; which was read.

Leave given to bring in a bill to enlarge the powers of the trustees of the poor in Somerset county.

Mr. Chapman delivers a favourable report on the petition of John Kilty; which was read.

The following message was agreed to.

In answer to your message of to-day, proposing an adjournment on the 17th, we reply, that our message, which produced your answer, was the result of a belief that the subjects before us could not be disposed of, consistent with due deliberation, before the 20th; our opinion still remains the same, but if we can, in conformity with our duty to the public, we shall cheerfully unite with you in an adjournment on the 17th. The house adjourns till to-morrow morning.

WEDNESDAY, December 14, 1808.

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

The bill granting leave to the trustees of Lower West Nottingham congregation, in Cecil county, and their successors, to receive a deed or deeds for and hold the lands therein mentioned, the bill to incorporate the union manufacturing company of Maryland, with the message relative thereto, and the message relative to closing the session, were sent to the senate.

The speaker laid before the house a memorial from the commissioners for the erection of a penitentiary, suggesting the propriety of a further sum of 20,000 dollars being appropriated for the completion thereof; which was read and referred.

A petition from sundry inhabitants of Cecil county, praying that a bridge over Principio creek may be made a toll bridge, was preferred, read and referred.

Ordered, That the bill for the relief of Jacob Bantz, of the city of Baltimore, be recommitted for amendment.

Mr. Beall delivers a favourable report on the petition of Rinaldo Johnson; which was read.

The following resolution was read.

Resolved, that the treasurer of the western shore be and he is hereby directed to pay, out of any unappropriated money in the treasury, the sum of — dollars to the order of the court of Allegany county, to be applied, under the direction of the said court, towards finishing and completing the road from Hancock

to Cumberland as the same has been located and laid off agreeably to the provisions of a resolution passed at the last session of the legislature.

A petition from John Hackett, of Queen-Anne's county, praying a special act of insolvency, was preferred, read and referred.

Mr. Spencer delivers a bill, entitled, An act confirming the title of James Kent, Thomas Kent, Francis Kent, William Coleman, and the heirs of James Kent, the elder, to the lands therein mentioned; which was read.

Mr. Harryman delivers a bill, entitled, An act to alter and change the name of Catherine Dimmett to Catherine Ringgold; which was read.

Mr. Bland delivers a bill, entitled, An act annulling the marriage of Peter Lucas and Lydia Lucas; which was read.

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

The bill annulling the marriage of Charles H. Tunis, and Harriet his wife, was read the second time, and the question put, Shall the said bill pass? Determined in the negative.

Mr. Bayly delivers a bill, entitled, An act to prevent persons from staking out farms across the river Wicomico, in Somerset county; which was read.

The bill to lay out and open a road in Prince-George's county, and part in Montgomery county, was read the second time, passed, and sent to the senate.

On motion, the question was put, That leave be given to bring in a bill, entitled, A supplement to an act, entitled, A further supplement to the act, entitled, An act for regulating the mode of staying executions, and repealing the acts of assembly therein mentioned, and for other purposes? Resolved in the affirmative, and a committee appointed for that purpose.

The house proceeded to the second reading of the bill to alter such parts of the constitution and form of government of this state as relate to voters, and qualification of voters, and the question was put, That the further consideration of the same be referred to the next general assembly? Resolved in the affirmative, yeas 35, nays 32.

Mr. R. Stewart delivers the bill for the relief and benefit of Jacob Bantz, of the city of Baltimore, as amended; which was read.

A petition from Richard B. Watts, of the city of Annapolis, praying a support for Francis Rawlings out of the poor house, and a petition from John Murray, of Dorchester county, praying a confirmation of his title to the real property therein mentioned, were preferred, read and referred.

The additional supplement to the act to incorporate a company for erecting a bridge over Cheffer river, was read the second time, passed, and sent to the senate.

The following resolution was unanimously assented to:

Resolved, That the executive of the state be and they are hereby authorized and empowered to purchase of the United States, for the use of the state of Maryland, four thousand stand of arms of Whitney's manufacture, at the price of ten dollars per stand, to be paid out of any unappropriated money in the treasury of the western shore; and the executive are hereby authorized to draw on the treasury for the same.

Leave given to bring in a bill, entitled, An act authorizing William Moffitt, late sheriff and collector of Kent county, to complete his collection.

Mr. Hopper delivers the said bill; which was read. A petition from Michael McCau, an old soldier, praying some relief, was preferred, read and referred.

The clerk of the senate delivers the bill annulling the marriage of John C. Hatton and Elizabeth Hatton, the bill granting leave to the trustees of Lower West Nottingham congregation, in Cecil county, and their successors, to receive a deed or deeds for and hold the lands therein mentioned, the bill authorizing James Cochran to complete his collection, the bill for the benefit of Daniel Burch, the supplement to the act to lay out and straighten a road in Baltimore county, the bill for the benefit of the corporation of the Roman Catholic clergymen, the bill to extend further the powers of the commissioners of Elizabeth-town, in Washington county, the bill to open and establish a road from near the old glass works, called New Bremen, in Frederick county, the bill to lay out and straighten a road in Baltimore county, the bill authorizing the levy court of Washington county to assess and levy a sum of money for the purposes therein mentioned, the bill to lay out and open a public road in Cecil county, and the bill for the support of Anno Ricketts, severally endorsed, "will pass." Ordered to be engrossed. The further additional supplement to the act for marking and bounding lands, and the bill authorizing the levy court of Prince-George's county to assess and levy on the assessable property of said county a sum of money for the purposes therein mentioned, severally endorsed, "will pass with the proposed amendments;" which amendment were read.