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HOUSE OF DELEGATES.

TUESDAY, DEC. 4, 1810.

THE house met. Present the same members as yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read.

The bill authorizing the levy court of Charles county to sell and dispose of the land therein mentioned, and the resolution in favour of Aquila Jones, were sent to the senate.

The speaker laid before the house communications from the clerks of Allegany, Calvert, and Montgomery counties, relative to the attendance of the judges; which were read & referred.

Mr. Schley delivers a bill, entitled, An act to authorize a lottery for a certain purpose in Frederick county; which was twice read, and sent to the senate.

Mr. Groome delivers a petition from Rachel and Joseph Couden, of Cecil county, praying that the state may be made a party to a suit brought by William Alexander and Joseph Couden, deceased, and Mr. Groome delivers a petition from John S. Moffitt, of Cecil county, praying a certain deed be confirmed; which were read and referred.

Mr. Bland delivers a bill, entitled, A supplement to an act, entitled, An act to fix & establish Argyle-alley in the city of Baltimore; which was read.

Mr. Gaither delivers a petition from the clerk of Montgomery county, praying a sum of money may be levied on said county to build an office for the county court, and Mr. Emory delivers a petition from Anna Maria Hackett, of Queen-Anne's county, praying a sale of part of the real estate of her deceased husband for the benefit of her infant children; which were read and referred.

The supplement to the act to open a road in Frederick county, was read the second time, passed, and sent to the senate.

Mr. Street delivers a petition from sundry inhabitants of Harford county, praying that the orphan court of said county may be directed to grant to Samuel Ecoff leave to keep tavern on a certain road, Mr. Archer delivers a petition from William Smith of Harford county, praying that a life estate devised to him by his father may be made a fee-simple, and a petition from Samuel Smith of Cecil county, counter thereto; which were read and referred.

Mr. Boyle delivers a bill, entitled, An act for the relief of Patrick Dunn; which was read.

Mr. Rogerson delivers a petition from Horatio Claggett, of Charles county, praying a special act of insolvency; which was read & referred.

On motion of Mr. Boyle, the following message was sent to the senate.

Gentlemen of the Senate,

We propose, with the concurrence of your house, to proceed on Tuesday, the eleventh instant, to an election of two directors on the part of this state for the Mechanics Bank of Baltimore, two for the Farmers Bank of Maryland at Annapolis, two for the Branch of said Bank at Easton, and one for the Hagar's-town Bank.

On motion of Mr. Forwood, Leave given to bring in a bill to prevent the sheriffs of the several counties of this state from making use of private houses for the reception of debtors, and on motion of Mr. Quinton, Leave given to bring in a bill to prevent the erection of booths within two miles of any Methodist camp or quarterly meeting in Worcester county.

Mr. Bowie delivers a bill, entitled, An act to alter and amend all such parts of the constitution and form of government as prevent the election of the judges of the levy courts of the several counties of this state by the people, and Mr. Warfield delivers a bill, entitled, An act to regulate and confine the duties of constables within the city of Annapolis; which were read.

On motion of Mr. Dorsey, the question was put, That the house resolve itself into a committee of the whole on the bill concerning insolvency? Determined in the negative.

According to order, The house proceeded to the second reading of the said bill, which being read through, on motion of Mr. Bland, the further consideration thereof was postponed until to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. Dorsey, the following order was read and assented to.

Ordered, That the register in chancery be required to furnish this house with the information required by the resolution of last session, as to the number of actions depending, and the counties in which the defendants in said actions reside.

The house adjourns till to-morrow morning.

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

Mr. Physick delivers a petition from Samuel Huggins, of Cecil county, a revolutionary soldier, praying assistance, and Mr. Groome delivers a petition from sundry inhabitants of Cecil county, praying that the number of useless dogs may be reduced; which were read and referred.

The speaker laid before the house a communication from the clerk of Harford county, agreeably to an order of this house; which was read.

Mr. Brown delivers a petition from Jonathan Parish and Robert Davis, of Baltimore county, praying that the state may relinquish its interest in and to the real estate of William Malin, deceased; which was read and referred.

Mr. T. B. Hall, from the committee of grievances, delivers a report respecting the attendance of the judges; which was read.

Mr. M'Pherson delivers a bill, entitled, An act for the relief of Horatio Claggett, of Charles county, which was read.

On motion of Mr. Street, Ordered, That the bill to confirm a road in Harford & Baltimore counties therein mentioned, be withdrawn for amendment.

On motion of Mr. Perry, the following message was agreed to.

Gentlemen of the Senate,

We have returned you the bill, entitled, An act to reduce the per diem of the judges and clerks of election in Allegany county.

In the other counties of this state, where there are a greater number of voters in the county, or the county divided into a small number of districts, the present per diem of the judges and clerks of elections may not be more than a compensation for their services, but in Allegany county, which, from its extent, has been divided into six election districts, averaging not more than one hundred and fifty voters in each district, where the price of living is cheap, and where the taxes, which are already much higher than in any other county in the state, and which must necessarily be increased by the late high water taking away their bridges, rendering it necessary for them to be parsimonious in the public expenditures, the present per diem of the judges and clerks of elections is considered too high.

The delegation from that county, & nearly the whole of the people, whom we consider the best judges of what ought to be a compensation to the judges and clerks of elections for their services, being in favour of a reduction of the present per diem, we hope upon reconsideration you will pass the bill.

Mr. Forwood delivers a bill, entitled, An act to prevent the sheriffs of the several counties of this state from making goals of private houses for the reception of debtors, Mr. Dorsey delivers a bill, entitled, An act relating to negroes, and to repeal the acts of assembly therein mentioned, and Mr. Bland delivers a bill, entitled, An act to incorporate the president and directors of the Athenian Society; which were read.

According to order, the house resumed the consideration of the bill to incorporate the stockholders of the Franklin Bank of Baltimore, and after amending and reading the bill throughout, the question was put, Shall the said bill pass? Resolved in the affirmative, yeas 36, nays 26.

The house adjourns till to-morrow morning.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 6, 1810.

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

The bill to incorporate the stockholders of the Franklin Bank of Baltimore, the bill to reduce the per diem of the judges and clerks of elections in Allegany county, and the message relative thereto, were sent to the senate.

On motion of Mr. Bland, the following order was read and assented to.

Whereas it is alleged by doctor M. Littlejohn, that the indisposition of his family and the situation of his business, render it extremely inconvenient for him to attend at the bar of this house as a witness in the case of Thomas Jones, Esquire; therefore, Ordered, That John Gill, notary public of the city of Baltimore, be and he is hereby appointed commissioner, with full power to examine & commission, with full power to examine & take the deposition of doctor M. Littlejohn, the deposition to taken to be by

him transmitted to this house on or before the 10th inst.

The clerk of the senate delivers the bill to alter and change a road in the village of Denton, and the bill for the relief of Sarah Rimmer, severally endorsed, "will pass with the proposed amendments;" which amendments were agreed to, and the bills ordered to be engrossed. And the bill for the relief of George Jones, endorsed, "will not pass."

Mr. Street delivers a bill, entitled, An act to lay out and open the road therein mentioned in Harford county; which was read.

The bill for the relief of Horatio Claggett, was read the second time, passed, and sent to the senate.

Mr. Randall delivers a petition from Samuel Tschudy, of Baltimore county, on behalf of himself and his father, praying that Thomas Wilson & Samuel Harden, may not be permitted to act as commissioners to lay out a road from the Franklin paper mills, and Mr. Marriott delivers a petition from Philip Hopkins, of Anne-Arundel county, praying that a sum of money may be levied on said county for the support of Ally Askew; which were read and referred.

Mr. Bland delivers a bill, entitled, An act for the relief of Clotworthy Birnie, Mr. Perry delivers a bill, entitled, A further supplement to an act, entitled, An act for the valuation of real and personal property in this state, and Mr. Quinton delivers a bill, entitled, An act to prevent the erection of booths within two miles of any Methodist camp or quarterly meeting in Worcester county; which were read.

Mr. Bland delivers a petition from Caroline Zollckoff, of Frederick county, praying she may be authorized to lay out five acres of land adjoining the city of Baltimore, into streets, lanes and alleys, &c. a petition from Mary Quinton, praying a divorce, a petition from Isaac and Andrew Hazlehurst, of the city of Baltimore, praying a special act of insolvency, a petition from Elizabeth, John and Thomas M'Elderry, of Baltimore county, praying they may be authorized to carry into effect the contract made by Thomas M'Elderry, deceased, and to sell and lease part of his real estate; which were read and referred; also a petition from Michael Logan, of the city of Baltimore, counter to the petition of William Smith; which was read.

Mr. Archer delivers a petition from James M. Maguels, praying a divorce, and Mr. Bland delivers a petition from Caleb D. Goodwin and Thomas B. Dorsey, of the city of Baltimore, praying for a law to authorize the city commissioners to alter the course and widen Ten Feet lane in said city; which were read and referred.

Mr. W. Williams has leave of absence.

Mr. Bowles delivers a bill, entitled, An act for founding an academy at Hagar's-town, in Washington county, Mr. Emory delivers a bill, entitled, A supplement to an act to empower the trustee herein after named to sell certain lands of the late William O'Bryon, deceased, situate, lying and being in Queen-Anne's county, and for other purposes therein mentioned, Mr. Wilson delivers a bill, entitled, An act for the benefit of the children of Littleton Robins, jun. deceased, of Worcester county, and Mr. P. Bayard delivers a bill, entitled, An act for the benefit of Robert Hurd, of Caroline county; which were read.

On motion of Mr. Jackson, the following order was read and agreed to.

Whereas the register in chancery was, by a resolution of the last general assembly, requested to furnish the present session of the general assembly with a statement of the number of suits depending in the high court of chancery, and the counties in which the defendants in the said suits reside, so far as it was practicable to ascertain the same, which said statement has not yet been furnished; and whereas this house, by an order of the fourth instant, did request the said register to furnish the said statement, to which request this house is without an answer; therefore, Ordered, That Mr. Jackson, Mr. Herbert, Mr. Comegys, Mr. Perry, Mr. Bowie, Mr. Dorsey & Mr. Marriott, be a committee to procure & furnish the house with the information required by the said resolution, and that they have power to send for persons and papers.

Mr. Bland delivers a bill, entitled, An act to widen and alter the direction of Ten Feet lane in the city of Baltimore, and Mr. Randall delivers a bill, entitled, An act relating to criminals in Baltimore county; which were read.

Mr. Marriott delivers a petition from Calliff Warfield, of Anne-Arundel county, stating that he is blind and unable to support his family, and praying relief, and Mr. Bennett delivers a petition from Thomas Lookerman,

of Dorchester county, counter to the petition of Anthony Thompson; which were read & referred.

The house proceeded to the second reading of the bill to incorporate the stockholders of the Commercial and Farmers Bank of Baltimore, which being read throughout, the question was put, Shall the said bill pass? Resolved in the affirmative, yeas 35, nays 20.

The bill to incorporate the stockholders of the Marine Bank of Baltimore, was read the second time, and the question put, Shall the said bill pass? Resolved in the affirmative, yeas 34, nays 19.

The clerk of the senate delivers the bill to authorize a lottery for a certain purpose in Frederick county, the supplement to an act to open a road in Frederick county, and the bill for the relief of John Murray, severally endorsed, "will pass." Ordered to be engrossed. And the resolutions in favour of Aquila Jones and Gassaway Watkins, endorsed, "dissented from."

Mr. Archer delivers a bill, entitled, An act for the benefit of William Smith, devisee of Robert Smith, late of Harford county, Mr. Frazier delivers a bill, entitled, An act to alter and abolish all such parts of the constitution and form of government as make the clerks of the courts of appeals, the clerks of the county courts, and the registers of wills, removable only for misbehaviour or conviction in a court of law, and Mr. Handy delivers a bill, entitled, An act to regulate the inspection of lumber; which were read.

The bill to incorporate the stockholders of the Farmers and Merchants Bank of Baltimore, was read the second time, and the question put, Shall the said bill pass? Resolved in the affirmative, yeas 33, nays 20.

Mr. Boyle delivers a bill, entitled, An act to prevent the increase of banking companies; which was read.

On motion of Mr. Dorsey, Ordered, That the supplement to the act relating to negroes, and to repeal the acts of assembly therein mentioned, have a second reading on to-morrow.

The house adjourns till to-morrow morning.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 7, 1810.

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

The bill to incorporate the stockholders of the Commercial and Farmers Bank of Baltimore, the bill to incorporate the stockholders of the Marine Bank of Baltimore, and the bill to incorporate the stockholders of the Farmers and Merchants Bank of Baltimore, were sent to the senate.

Mr. Comegys delivers a petition from John Moore, of Kent county, praying to be remunerated for damages sustained by fire while discharging his official duty, Mr. Harryman delivers a petition from sundry inhabitants of Baltimore county, praying a law may pass for widening and straightening the by-road from near Thomas Sutton's, and a petition from Edward Norwood, of Baltimore county, praying that an act to lay out a turnpike road from the city of Baltimore to the city of Washington, may not be revived, Mr. Randall delivers a petition from sundry inhabitants of Baltimore county and city, praying for a lottery to pave the road from the north end of Howard-street to the Falls turnpike road, and Mr. Harryman delivers a memorial from the president and managers of the Falls turnpike company, praying a repeal of the 20th section of the act for the incorporation of the said company; which were read and referred.

On motion of Mr. A. Browne, Leave given to bring in a bill to repeal part of an act of assembly therein mentioned.

Mr. Archer delivers a bill, entitled, An act for the relief of John S. Moffitt, and Mr. Randall delivers a bill, entitled, An act to authorize a lottery or lotteries in the city of Baltimore for the purpose therein mentioned; which were read.

The bill to appoint Thomas Woodfield trustee for the sale of the real estate of Joshua Hall, was read the second time, passed, and sent to the senate.

Mr. Wharton delivers a petition from Elizabeth Belmeor, of Montgomery county, praying a sale of part of the land purchased of Samuel Belmeor; which was read and referred.

On motion of Mr. Bland, Ordered, That the resolution relative to the United States Bank, have a second reading on the 13th instant.

On motion of Mr. Bland, Leave given to bring in a bill to rectify an amendment to the constitution of the United States of America, proposed by congress to the legislatures of the several states.