

LEGISLATURE OF MARYLAND

HOUSE OF DELEGATES. MONDAY, DEC. 21.

The House met. Present the same members as on Saturday except Mr. Perry. The proceedings of Saturday were read. On motion by Mr. Bowles, Leave given to bring in a bill respecting certain land certificates in Washington county. Mr. Bowles delivers a bill respecting certain land certificates in Washington county. Read. On motion by Mr. Sanders, a resolution in favour of John Kean, jun. was read, assented to, and sent to the senate. The bill directing the clerks of the county courts and the sheriffs of the several counties of this State to transmit annually to the clerk of the house of delegates a statement of all the public monies paid by the treasurers of their respective shires, passed, and sent to the senate. The bill to prevent the issuing of small bank notes, were severally read the second time, passed, and sent to the senate. The clerk of senate delivers the bill for the relief of the heirs of John Chaires; the bill to ratify the title of Henry Banning and Anthony Banning, in and to certain lots in the town of Oxford, and the bill for the relief of Joshua Taylor, an insolvent debtor, of Baltimore county, severally endorsed, "will not pass." The bill for the relief and benefit of Sarah Stinchcomb, the bill authorizing Benjamin Leitch, former collector of Calvert county, to complete his collections; the bill to alter and amend a certain road in Harford county; the bill authorizing the levy court of Cecil county to lay out a road from Robert Wilton's tavern on the road; the bill for the relief of Nancy Rose, of Caroline county; the bill to lay out and make public a road in Kent county; the bill authorizing John Newton, late sheriff and collector of Dorchester county, to complete his collections, severally endorsed, "will pass." Ordered to be engrossed. Also a bill relating to the Governor and Council of this State, and a bill to alter and repeal all such parts of the constitution and form of government, as preclude the senate from making any amendment to a money bill, passed by the senate Dec. 19; which were severally read. The bill from the senate directing the manner in which justices of the peace shall qualify and for other purposes, was read the second time, and the question put, Shall the said bill pass? Determined in the negative, and the bill sent to the senate. On motion by Mr. Young, Leave given to bring in a bill, entitled, An act to repeal so much of the laws of this State as require a property qualification in jurors. Mr. Young, from the committee of claims, delivers a report on the memorial of Jehu Chandler. Read. The bill annulling the marriage of William Whetcroft and Anne Whetcroft his wife of the city of Annapolis, was read the second time and referred to the consideration of the next general assembly. On motion by Mr. T. N. Williams, the following message was read, agreed to, and sent to the senate. Gentlemen of the Senate Your message proposing to adjourn on the 18th inst. was received by this house at a very early period of the session. This house declined giving an answer until it should be fully prepared to lay at what time the interest of the State would justify a close of the session. We are now convinced that all the business of this house may be acted upon by Thursday the 24th inst. We therefore propose, with the concurrence of your house, to close the session on that day. On motion by Mr. Bowles, Ordered, That the committee of claims file the journal of accounts including Friday next. On motion by Mr. Young, Ordered, That Ann Whetcroft have leave to withdraw her petition, and the accompanying documents. The clerk of senate delivers the bill for the benefit of John Sample, of York county, Pennsylvania; the bill for the benefit of Franklin Lee Ridgely and Richard Greenbury Ridgely, (minors), and the bill authorizing Richard Ruff, of Harford county, to make sale of the land therein mentioned, severally endorsed, "will not pass." The bill for the relief of John Messler and David Rinehart, trustees of James Farquhar, of Frederick county; the bill to authorize and direct the sheriff of Montgomery county to execute a deed or deeds therein mentioned; the bill to authorize the levy court of Baltimore county, to remit a part of the money paid by James Fletcher for the materials of the court house of said county; and the bill for the relief of Rachel Roberts, of the city of Annapolis, severally endorsed, "will pass." Ordered to be engrossed. A bill for the relief of James Fenell, passed by the senate Dec. 21st; which was read. And the following message. Gentlemen of the House of Delegates, We have rejected your 3d, 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th and 11th amendments to the bill, entitled, An act for the valuation of real and personal property in the several counties of this State, but with a hope of

carrying this bill into effect we propose a committee of conference on it; and have nominated on the part of this House Messrs Lloyd, Stephen and Hawkins, to join such gentlemen as may be nominated by you. On motion by Mr. Lloyd, the following message was read and agreed to. Gentlemen of the Senate We have received your message of to day proposing a conference between the two houses on a bill for the valuation of real and personal property in the several counties of this State. Considering the passage of the bill to which your message relates as important to the interest of the State, and anxious at all times to unite with you in any reasonable means calculated to effect a public benefit, we with pleasure accede to your proposition, and have nominated Messrs. Lecompte, Wilson, Bayly, Sprigg and Kilgour, on the part of this House, as a committee of conference, to join the gentlemen who have been nominated by you. Adjourned till 5 o'clock. 5 O'CLOCK P. M. The house met. The report on the petition of Jane White of the city of Baltimore, was read the second time, and the question put, That the House concur in the said report, and assent to the resolution therein contained? Resolved in the affirmative—Yeas 35, Nays 26. Adjourned till to-morrow. TUESDAY, DEC. 22. The House met. Present the same members as on yesterday except Messrs. Somerville, Emory, Burgetts and Graves. The proceedings of yesterday were read. According to the order of the day, the House proceeded to the second reading of the resolutions relative to the authority of the general government to call out the militia, and on motion by Mr. Kilgour, the question was put, Shall the same be agreed to? Resolved in the affirmative. The question was then put, That the following be substituted for the said preamble: "Whereas, an act of Congress of the 10th of April 1812, authorized the President of the United States to call into service a detachment of one hundred thousand militia, in order to repel invasion, enforce the laws, and suppress insurrection; And whereas, the Secretary of War made a requisition, under the said act, on the late Governor of this State, on the 31st day of July 1812, for a company of artillery, and of as many companies of infantry as will make an aggregate force of three hundred and fifty militia, to defend the town and harbor of Annapolis; which said call appears to this general assembly to have been unaccompanied with either of the exigencies designated by the constitution or the law: And whereas, the wife and patriotic framers of our constitution, having for their object the freedom, happiness and independence of their country, thought it necessary, in order to preserve this government in its republican form and secure the blessings of liberty to their posterity, to constitute protecting barriers against an improper or ambitious use of the military power: And whereas, offensive wars, national aggrandizements by accession of territory, or schemes of foreign conquest, are repugnant to the principles of our free institutions?" Resolved in the affirmative—Yeas 45, Nays 22. On motion by Mr. Dorsey, the question was put, That the first resolution be stricken out? Resolved in the affirmative. The question was then put, That the following be substituted: Resolved, That it never was contemplated by the constitution and the law, that when they trusted to the President of the United States the power of calling out the militia in certain emergencies, that he should, by perverted and strained interpretations, at his discretion, use that power in the absence of those emergencies; and that the calling out of the militia as aforesaid, without the existence of either of the emergencies recognized by the constitution or the law, is an open and dangerous assumption of power, alike inconsistent with the rights of the State, and the convenience of our immediate constituents. Resolved in the affirmative—Yeas 45, Nays 21. The question was then taken, separately, on each Resolution, and resolved in the affirmative—Yeas 45, Nays 21. The clerk of the senate delivers the resolution in favour of the Potomac Company, endorsed, "On reconsideration assented to." The bill authorizing a lottery to raise a sum of money for building a Masonic Hall in the City of Baltimore, and to repeal the acts of assembly therein mentioned; the bill for the benefit of John, James, William, and Ann Elizabeth Johnson, heirs and devisees of Barnett Johnson, and of Benjamin Gordon of Harford county; the bill for the relief of Abraham Broom, of Talbot county; the bill to extend the powers of levy court of Talbot county, severally endorsed, "will pass." Ordered to be engrossed. Also a bill to continue an act, entitled, An act to provide for the administration of justice in cases of crimes and misdemeanors in the city and county of Baltimore, and the several supplements thereto, passed by the senate Dec. 22d; which was read. And the bill founding an University in the city or precincts of Baltimore, by the name of The University of Maryland;

the bill to extend Forrest and Goodman streets, from the city of Baltimore, and for other purposes; and the bill for opening and extending Aisquith street, in the eastern precincts of Baltimore, severally endorsed, "will pass with the proposed amendments;" which amendments were read. The bill, entitled, An additional supplement to an act, entitled, An act to open and extend Pratt-street, in the city of Baltimore, was read the second time, and the question put, That the further consideration thereof be referred to the next general assembly? Resolved in the affirmative—Yeas 41, Nays 28. Mr. Callis delivers a bill to alter, change and repeal, all such parts of the constitution and form of government of this State as relate to the division of Prince-George's county into election Districts; which was read. The clerk of the senate delivers a communication from the Executive inclosing a copy of a Resolution of the Legislature of New-Hampshire, ratifying an amendment of the Constitution of the United States. The bill to enlarge the powers of the orphan courts of the several counties of this State, was read the second time, and the question put, That the same be referred to the consideration of the next general assembly? Resolved in the affirmative—Yeas 37, Nays 24. On motion by Mr. Bayly, Leave given to bring in a bill to enlarge the powers of the county courts of the several counties of this State. Adjourned till 5 o'clock. 5 O'CLOCK, P. M. The House met. On motion by Mr. Kilgour, Leave given to bring in a bill to incorporate a company to make a turnpike road from the line of the District of Columbia, where it crosses the Port-road leading from George-town to Frederick-town, through Montgomery and Frederick counties, to Frederick-town. The bill to incorporate a company for the purpose of building a bridge over the river Susquehanna, at or near Rock Run, was read the second time and passed. Adjourned till to-morrow. EXCHANGE OF OLD SIX PER CENT AND DEFERRED STOCKS. Pursuant to the act of Congress, entitled, "An act authorizing a subscription for the old six per cent and deferred stocks, and providing for the exchange of the same," passed on the 6th day of July, 1812, books will be opened on the first day of October next, at the Treasury, and at the several loan offices, and will continue open till the 17th day of March next, for receiving subscriptions of the old six per cent and deferred stocks, in the manner prescribed by the said act. New certificates, bearing interest from the first day of the quarter in which the subscription shall be made, at the rate of six per centum per annum, payable quarterly, for the unredeemed amount of principal of the old six per cent and deferred stocks which may be subscribed, will be issued at the Treasury or at the Loan Offices respectively where the old stock subscribed may at the time stand credited. The new stock will be redeemable at the pleasure of the United States at any time after the 31st day of December, 1824; but no reimbursement will be made except for the whole amount of the stock standing at the time to the credit of any proprietor, on the books of the treasury or of the commissioners of loans respectively, nor till after at least six months previous public notice of such intended reimbursement. Albert Gallatin. Treasury Department, Sept. 10, 1812. Anne-Arundel County, sc. On application to me the subscriber, in the recess of Anne Arundel county court, as an associate judge for the third judicial district of Maryland, by petition, in writing, of Danzy Brown, of said county, praying for the benefit of the act for the relief of sundry insolvent debtors, and the several supplements thereto, on the terms mentioned in said act, a schedule of his property and a list of his creditors, on oath, as far as he can ascertain them, being annexed to his petition, and having satisfied me that he has resided in the state of Maryland for two years immediately preceding the time of his application, having also stated in his petition that he is in confinement for debt, and having prayed to be discharged from his confinement on the terms prescribed in said acts; I do hereby order and adjudge, that the person of the said Danzy Brown be discharged, and by causing a copy of this order to be published in the Maryland Gazette for three months successively before the first Monday of April next, to give notice to his creditors to appear before the county court of said county, on the third Monday of April next, for the purpose of recommending a trustee for their benefit; and to show cause, if any they have, why the said Danzy Brown should not have the benefit of the acts as prayed for. Given under my hand this 21st day of November, 1812. Richard H. Harwood. To the Voters Of Anne-Arundel County and the City of Annapolis. GENTLEMEN, Having become a Candidate for the Office of Sheriff at the next Electoral period, have thought proper to give this early notice of my intention to do so. On this occasion I earnestly solicit the support of my fellow-citizens: Should my efforts be crowned with success, it would be the object of my care to discharge the duties that would devolve on me with justice and humanity. REZIN SPURRIER. Annapolis, October 8, 1812.

By his Excellency LEVIN WINDER, Esquire, Governor of Maryland, A PROCLAMATION. WHEREAS the General Assembly of Maryland did, by an act passed at November session eighteen hundred and five, entitled, "An act to reduce into one the several acts of Assembly respecting elections, and to regulate said elections," direct, that the governor and council, after having received the returns of the elections for electors to choose the President and Vice-President of the United States, should enumerate and ascertain the number of votes for each and every candidate and person so as aforesaid voted for as an elector respectively, and shall thereupon declare by proclamation signed by the governor, and without delay disperse through the state the name of the person or persons duly elected as elector in each respective district: We, in pursuance of the directions of the said act, do by this our proclamation declare, that by the returns made to us, it appears that Henry H. Chapman, Esquire, was elected an elector for the first district; Edward H. Calvert, Esquire, was elected an elector for the second district; Edward Johnson and John Stephen, Esquires, were elected electors for the third district; Henry Williams and Daniel Rensch, Esquires, were elected electors for the fourth district; Tobias E. Starsbury, Esquire, was elected an elector for the fifth district; Thomas W. Veazy, Esquire, was elected an elector for the sixth district; Thomas Worrell, Esquire, was elected an elector for the seventh district; Edward Lloyd, Esquire, was elected an elector for the eighth district; and Littleton Dennis, Esquire, was elected an elector for the ninth district. Given in council, at the city of Annapolis, under the great seal of the state of Maryland, this twenty-fourth day of November, in the year (SEAL) of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twelve, and of the independence of the United States of America the thirty-seventh. Levin Winder. By the Governor, Ninian Pinkney, Clk. Ordered, That the foregoing proclamation be published twice in each week for the space of three weeks, in the Maryland Gazette, Annapolis; The Federal Gazette and American, Baltimore; The People's Monitor, Easton; The Federal Republican, George-town; Melsheimer's German paper and Frederick-Town Herald, Frederick-town; Hagar's-Town Gazette and Maryland Herald, Hagar's-Town. By order, Ninian Pinkney, Clk. of the Council. November 24. 6X BY HIS EXCELLENCY ROBERT BOWIE, ESQUIRE GOVERNOR OF MARYLAND. A PROCLAMATION. WHEREAS the General Assembly of Maryland did, by an act passed at November session eighteen hundred and five, entitled, "An act to reduce into one the several acts of Assembly respecting elections, and to regulate said elections," direct that the governor and council after having received the returns of the elections of the members to represent the state in the Congress of the U.S. should enumerate and ascertain the number of votes given for each and every person voted for a member for Congress aforesaid respectively, and shall thereupon declare, by proclamation, signed by the Governor, the name of the person or persons duly elected in each respective district. We in pursuance of the directions of the said act, do by this our proclamation, declare that by the returns made to us, it appears that Philip Stewart, Esq. was elected for the first district; Joseph Kent, Esq. was elected for the second district; Alexander Conter Hanson, Esq. was elected for the third district; Samuel Ringgold, Esq. was elected for the fourth district; Alexander M'Kim, and Nicholas Ruxton Moore, Esqs. were elected for the fifth district; Stevenson Archer, Esq. was elected for the sixth district; Robert Wright, Esq. was elected for the seventh district, and Charles Geldaborgh, Esq. was elected for the eighth district. Given in Council, at the city of Annapolis, under the great seal of the State of Maryland, this twenty third day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twelve, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the thirty-seventh. Robert Bowie. By the Governor, Ninian Pinkney, Clerk of the Council. ORDERED, That the foregoing proclamation be published twice in each week, for the space of four weeks, in the Maryland Gazette and Maryland Republican, of Annapolis; in the Whig, Sun, American and Federal Gazette, of Baltimore, in the National Intelligencer, at Washington; in Bartigia's paper at Frederick-Town; in the Maryland Herald, at Hagers-town; and in the Star at Easton. By Order, Ninian Pinkney, Clerk of the Council. November 22. 8X NOTICE. THE subscriber hereby gives notice, that he intends to apply to Calvert County Court, or some one of the judges thereof, in the recess of said court, for the benefit of the act for the relief of sundry insolvent debtors, passed at November session, 1805, and the several supplements thereto. RICHARD KENT. Nov. 3, 1812. 8X NOTICE. The subscriber hereby gives notice, that he intends to apply to Anne-Arundel county court, or some one of the Judges thereof, in the recess of said court, for the benefit of the act for the relief of sundry insolvent debtors, passed at November session, 1805, and the several supplements thereto. WILLIAM JAMES. Nov. 12, 1812. 8X

THE LXIXth YEAR. PRINTED AND PUBLISHED BY JONAS GREEN, CHURCH-STREET, ANNAPOLIS. Price—Two Dollars per Ann. MARYLAND GAZETTE ANNAPOLIS, THURSDAY, JAN. 6. LEGISLATURE OF MARYLAND HOUSE OF DELEGATES. WEDNESDAY, DEC. 23. The House met. Present the same members as on yesterday except Mr. Williams. The proceedings of yesterday were read. The additional supplement to a supplementary act, entitled, An act to regulate the militia of this State, was read the second time, amended, and passed. Mr. Sanders delivers a further additional supplement to the act, entitled, An act to amend the laws relating to the militia of this State, which was read the second time by special order and passed. Mr. Williams delivers a bill to amend certain the allowance of jurors in certain cases. The bill from the senate to alter and amend all such parts of the constitution and form of government as preclude the senate from making any amendment to a money bill, was read the second time, and the question put, Shall the said bill pass? Determined in the affirmative. The bill from the senate, relating to the Governor and Council of this State, was read the second time and passed. The clerk of the senate delivers the resolution in favour of the clerks; the resolution relative to the sword intended to have presented to the late John Davis, and resolutions relative to the late Wm. S. Burwell, severally endorsed, "assented to." The resolution relative to the Nanticoke Indian is read the second time, and the question put, Shall the resolution in favour of the trustees of the late Hall school, severally endorsed, "assented to." The supplement to the act, entitled, An act for opening Bridge-street in the eastern precincts of the city of Baltimore, to authorize the levy court of Harford county to levy a sum of money for the purpose therein mentioned; the further additional supplement to the act to regulate the inspection of Tobacco; the bill annulling the marriage of Robert Osley and Sarah Osley, of Queen-Anne's county; the bill to make public a road from Hancock, in Harford county, to Cumberland, in Allegany county; the bill to repeal an act therein mentioned; the bill for the benefit of the late Joshua Fleming, severally endorsed, "will pass." Ordered to be engrossed. The bill to establish a bank under the title of The Bank of Salisbury, endorsed, "will not pass." The bill for the sale of the real estate of John Chesley and Henrietta Chesley, late of Calvert county, deceased, passed by the senate Dec. 23d. The further additional supplement to the act to provide for the organization and regulation of the courts of common law in this State, and for the administration of justice therein, endorsed, "will pass with the proposed amendments;" which amendment was read. Also the bill to alter the time of holding Baltimore county court, accompanied by the following message. Gentlemen of the House of Delegates We return to your house the bill to amend the laws relating to the militia of this State, as amended by your house, on reconsideration, you will find it to pass the same. By changing the time of holding said court to the day proposed in the bill aforesaid, the convenience of the county will in our opinion be promoted. Read. Adjourned till to-morrow. THURSDAY, DEC. 24. The house met. Present as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read. The House proceeded to the second reading of the bill authorizing an appropriation to the Penitentiary of this State; and on motion by Mr. Stansbury, the question was put, That the blank in said bill be filled with eleven thousand seven hundred and seven dollars and forty-seven cents? Determined in the negative—Yeas 10, Nays 21. On motion by Mr. L. Duvall, the question was then put, That the said blank be filled with six thousand dollars? Determined in the negative. On motion by Mr. Barney, the question was then put, that the blank be filled up with five thousand five hundred dollars? Determined in the negative. On motion by Mr. Dorsey, the question was then put, That the said blank be filled up with four thousand dollars? Resolved in the affirmative—Yeas 35, Nays 25. The question was then put, shall the said bill pass? Resolved in the affirmative.