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CHANCERY.

January 10 1831.
Ayres vs Whitaker & others.
In these cases that John Skiventon was indebted to the complainant; that Skiventon's death complainant was the executor of said Skiventon's estate; that Skiventon died insolvent; that Skiventon deeded to said Whitaker for life and in fee, that said Whitaker had converted said land away. The bill of said land for the payment and pray general relief. It is stated in later filed in this case that said Thomas Evans and Rachel Isaac Whitaker heretofore ordered legatees beyond the limits of Maryland in parts unknown to complainant on this tenth day of January 1831. The complainant Bland chancery and pray the substance of said bill be taken a week for three weeks before the 10th day of February 1831. The bill of said land, printed in the Gazette, give notice in said absent in this case on or before the 10th day of February 1831. By Test. J. WATERS, Reg. Cur. Can.

CHANCERY.

10th December, 1830.
That the same made and reported legal trustee for the sale of the property of the late John Hight long been the defendant in the case of Hight vs. Hight. Most also in lecturing and other. The report of the said Hight, before the court, contains two hundred dollars. By Test. J. WATERS, Reg. Cur. Can.

Legislature of Maryland.

HOUSE OF DELEGATES.

TUESDAY, January 18, 1831.

The house met. Present the same members as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read. The bill, entitled, An act to provide for the prompt payment of witnesses in criminal cases; and the bill, entitled, A supplement to the act, entitled, An act for the despatch of business in Frederick county court, passed at December session 1829, chapter 107, were sent to the senate.

Mr. Rogerson presented the petitions of Joseph Britton of the state of Tennessee, and Robert Wilmott of the state of Kentucky, officers of the revolutionary army; also the petition of John Hamilton, of the state of Kentucky, a sergeant in the revolution, praying to be placed on the pension list; which were severally read and referred to the committee on pensions and revolutionary claims.

Mr. Hunt presented the petition of Luther J. Cox, and Maria his wife, of the city of Baltimore, praying the passage of an act authorizing them to lease certain property therein mentioned; which was read and referred to Messrs. Hunt, Nicholas and Turner.

Mr. Lee presented the memorial of James N. Allnutt, of Montgomery county, praying for repayment of monies expended in maintenance of Ruth H. Duvall; which was read and referred to Messrs. Lee, Willson and Harding.

And Mr. Teackle presented the petition of Thomas Marshall, and others, of Somerset county, praying to be admitted to the benefits of the law of public instruction, and an equitable portion of the school money now in the treasury; which was read and referred to the committee on education.

On motion by Mr. Ridgely, Leave was given to bring in a bill, entitled, An act to alter and change all such parts of the constitution and form of government of this state as relates to the organization of the legislative body thereof, so as to reduce the number of delegates to two from each county, and one from the city of Annapolis, and two from the city of Baltimore. Ordered, That Messrs. Ridgely, Brewer, Holmes, Purnell, and Thomas of Queen-Anne's, prepare and report the same.

The house proceeded to consider the bill reported by Mr. Tilghman, it being the bill, entitled, An act to provide for the consolidation and distribution of the several school funds; when on motion by Mr. Claude, said bill was ordered to lie on the table.

The house proceeded to consider one of the orders of the day, it being the bill, entitled, An act to define and reciprocate certain rights of the citizens of this state, and to equalize and extend the enjoyments of piscary.

On motion by Mr. Jenifer, the house was called, and the door-keeper sent for the absent members.

On motion by Mr. Steele, the house resolved to proceed with the ordinary business of the session, during the absence of the door-keeper.

The house proceeded to consider the resolution for compensation to the attorney general for services performed by him, in pursuance of the resolution of the general assembly of December session 1828, No. 26.

When on motion by Mr. Nicholas, the blank therein was filled up with two hundred and fifty dollars.

The resolution was then read the second time, assented to, and sent to the senate.

The door-keeper having returned, reported, that he had notified the absent members to attend in the house.

The house then resumed the consideration of the order of the day; when Mr. Jenifer moved that said bill be rejected? Resolved in the affirmative—yeas 40, nays 33.

The clerk of the senate returned the bill, entitled, An act to authorize the clerk of Allegany county to record a deed therein mentioned, endorsed "will pass with the proposed amendments," which amendments were severally read the first and second time by special order, assented to, and the bill ordered to be engrossed. And the bill, entitled, An act to make valid a certain deed of manumission therein mentioned, endorsed "will not pass."

On motion by Mr. Burchenal, leave was given to bring in a bill, entitled, An act to change the mode of issuing out marriage licenses in this state. Ordered, That Messrs. Burchenal, Brawner and Jones, report the same.

On motion by Mr. Hawkins, the following message was read and assented to.

By the House of Delegates, January 18th, 1831.
Gentlemen of the Senate,
We propose, with the concurrence of your honourable body, to go into the election of bank directors on the part of the state, on Tuesday the first of February next.
By order,
G. G. Brewer, Clk.

Mr. Wootton presented the petition of sundry citizens of the District of Columbia, praying that the act, entitled, An act to incorporate the Baltimore and Washington Rail Road Company, passed at December session 1828, may be revived; which was read and referred to the committee on internal improvement.

The house adjourned until to-morrow morning 10 o'clock.

WEDNESDAY, January 19, 1831.

The house met. Present the same members as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read. The message adopted by this house on yesterday, proposing to go into the election of bank directors on the part of the state, was sent to the senate.

Mr. Hight presented the petition of sundry citizens of Talbot county, praying the passage of an act more effectually to secure the service and labour of people of colour to their owners and possessors; which was read and referred to Messrs. Hight, Edelen, Reid, Willson and Gomeyva.

Mr. Edelen presented the petition of Martha Thorne, of Prince George's county, praying to be placed on the pension list of said county, which was read and referred to the committee on pensions to indigent persons by county assessment.

Mr. Rogerson presented the petition of Dr. Thomas Til-

lison, of the state of New York, a surgeon in the Maryland line during the revolutionary war, praying to be placed on the pension list; which was read and referred to the committee on pensions and revolutionary claims.

Mr. Reid presented the petition of Afeshach Browning, of Allegany county, praying for relief; which was read and referred to Messrs. Reid, M'Mahon and Shaw.

On motion by Mr. Keene, leave was given to bring in a bill, to be entitled, An act to alter and repeal so much of the tenth section of an act passed December session 1829, chapter 87, as prohibits the use of oyster-tongs with more than six teeth, so far as relates to the eastern shore. Ordered, That Messrs. Keene, Goldsborough and Ballard, report the same.

On motion by Mr. Lee, leave was given to bring in a bill, entitled, An act to authorize the levy court of Montgomery county to appoint commissioners to distribute the dividend &c. of the free school fund of that county annually. Ordered, That Messrs. Lee, Harding, Gittings and Willson, report the same.

The House proceeded to consider the order of the day, it being the bill reported by Mr. Ely, entitled, An act to abolish all such parts of the constitution and form of government as relates to the time and manner of electing the senate, and the mode of filling up vacancies in that body, so that each county and the city of Baltimore, may have a senator to be elected immediately by the people. The said bill was then read the second time and passed—yeas 46, nays 24.

The clerk of the senate returned the bill, entitled, An act to authorize and empower John W. Richardson to import and bring into this state certain negroes therein mentioned; and the bill, entitled, An act to encourage the destruction of crows in Kent county; severally endorsed "will pass." Ordered to be engrossed. Also the resolution authorizing the governor to procure and present to Captain George W. Rogers, a sword, as further evidence of the high sense the legislature entertain for the services he has rendered his country; also the resolution in favour of the attorney general of this state; and the resolution in favour of Thomas Jenkins, of the District of Columbia; severally endorsed "assented to." Ordered to be engrossed.

The house adjourned until to-morrow morning 10 o'clock.

THURSDAY, January 20th, 1831.

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

The bill, entitled, An act to abolish all and every such parts of the constitution and form of government in this state, as relate to the appointment of the offices of register of wills and clerks of the county courts of this state; and the bill, entitled, An act to abolish all such parts of the constitution and form of government as relates to the time and manner of electing the senate, and the mode of filling up vacancies in that body, so that each county and the city of Baltimore may have a senator, to be elected immediately by the people, were sent to the senate.

Mr. Willson presented the petition of sundry inhabitants of Montgomery county, praying that Elizabeth Burk may be placed on the pension list of said county; which was read and referred to the committee on pensions to indigent persons by county assessment.

Mr. M'Kinstry presented the petition of sundry citizens of Frederick county, praying for a repeal of all such parts of the constitution and form of government as relates to the division of Frederick county into twelve election districts, and for other purposes; which was read and referred to Messrs. M'Kinstry, Kemp and M'Elfresh.

Mr. Lee, chairman of the committee on internal improvement, delivered as a report from said committee, the following resolutions:

Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the extension and insecurity of the coasting trade of the states of Virginia, Delaware, and of this state, would be effectually promoted by the opening of a safe and direct navigation through the sounds which run parallel with the sea coast, and by the construction of such canals as may be requisite for the purpose, between the Chesapeake Bay, at or near Cape Charles, and Lewis-Town creek on the bay of Delaware, and that the co-operation of the states interested in the improvement be immediately invited to this object.

Resolved, That the governor of this state be requested to communicate the foregoing resolution to the president of the United States, and to express the earnest wish of this general assembly, that one or more competent engineers may be appointed to make an accurate survey of the coast designated in the said resolution, and to report the estimate of the probable cost of the improvement proposed.

Resolved, That the governor be also requested to transmit a copy of the first resolution to the governors of the states of Virginia and Delaware, and to desire that the same may be as speedily as possible communicated to their respective general assemblies.

Which were read the first and second time by special order, passed, and sent to the senate.

On motion by Mr. Wootton, leave was given to bring in a bill, entitled, An act to alter and amend such parts of the constitution of this state as relates to the election of the governor and council. Ordered, That Messrs. Wootton, Brawner and Claude, prepare and report the same.

The house adjourned until to-morrow morning 10 o'clock.

FRIDAY, January 21st, 1831.

The house met. Present the same members as on yesterday, except Mr. Gantt, who had leave of absence. The proceedings of yesterday were read.

The speaker announced the message received from the senate on yesterday, returning the resolutions relating to the improvement of the navigation of the sounds parallel with the Atlantic coast, endorsed "assented to." Ordered to be engrossed.

The bill, entitled, An additional supplement to the act, entitled, An act authorizing the appointing inspectors and corders of fire wood brought by water in the city of Baltimore for sale; and the bill, entitled, An act to abolish the levy court, and provide for the election, by the people, of commissioners for Talbot county, and prescribing their powers and duties, were sent to the senate.

Mr. Hunt presented the petition of Richard Norris, of the city of Baltimore, praying the passage of an act authorizing him to bring into this state certain negro slaves therein nam-

ed; which was read and referred to Messrs. Hunt, Nicholas and Turner.

Also the petition of The Jackson Beneficial Society of Baltimore, praying an alteration in their act of incorporation, passed at December session 1819; which was read and referred to Messrs. Hunt, Nicholas and Ely.

Mr. Merrick presented the petition of sundry citizens of Washington county, praying the passage of an act requiring the erection of a stone bridge over Antietam creek, on the road from Hagerstown to Orr's gap; which was read and referred to Messrs. Merrick, Kershner and Yoe.

And Mr. Kent presented the petition of sundry inhabitants of Anne-Arundel county, praying for the passage of an act authorizing the building of a bridge over the Patuxent river; which was read and referred to Messrs. Kent, Hood and Stewart.

Mr. M'Mahon, asked leave to bring in a bill to revive the ninth section of an act of the general assembly of Maryland, passed December session 1817, chapter 119, entitled, An act concerning judicial proceedings in courts of justice in this state, and provides for the completion of the records in certain cases, which said 9th section was repealed by the 10th section of an act of the said general assembly, passed December session 1826, entitled, An act to establish the fees of certain offices.

On the question being put, Will the house grant said leave? It was determined in the negative.

On motion by Mr. Edelen, Leave was given to bring in a bill, to be entitled, An act to give referees in cases referred from any court of law in this state, and arbitrators by private agreement in certain cases, power to require and enforce the attendance of witnesses. Ordered, That Messrs. Edelen, M'Elfresh and Tilghman, prepare and report the same.

Mr. Hunt presented the petition of William Stewart, and others, of the city of Baltimore, praying the passage of an act to incorporate the Union Slate Company; which was read and referred to Messrs. Hunt, Nicholas and Holmes.

On motion by Mr. Stockett, leave was given to bring in a bill, entitled, An act to regulate the manner of levying on the assessable property of Anne-Arundel county for the support of primary schools, &c. Ordered, That Messrs. Stockett, Kent and Hood, prepare and report the same.

Mr. Tilghman submitted the following resolution; which was read.

Resolved, That the clerk of the council, be directed to give notice, by advertisement, for at least two consecutive weeks, before the first day of November next, and annually thereafter, in three newspapers in the city of Baltimore, two in the city of Frederick, and two in the city of Annapolis, that sealed proposals will be received by him until the last Monday in December following, for furnishing the necessary stationary for the use of the executive and legislative departments of the government for the ensuing year, and that the said proposals be transmitted to the legislature at the commencement of the next ensuing session.

The house adjourned until to-morrow morning 10 o'clock.

SATURDAY, January 22, 1831.

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

The resolution authorizing the register of the land office for the western shore to receive into the land office a certificate of a tract of land called Steuart's Good Will, and issue a patent for the same to Mary Magrath. Also the bill, entitled, An act to authorize Luther J. Cox, and Maria his wife, of the city of Baltimore, to lease certain lots or parcels of ground. Also the bill, entitled, An act to extend the jurisdiction of justices of the peace. Also the bill, entitled, An act for the relief of James N. Allnutt, of Montgomery county. And the bill, entitled, An act to provide for the erection of a bridge over Antietam creek, at or near Hager's mill in Washington county, were sent to the senate.

On motion by Mr. Hawkins, leave was given to bring in a bill, entitled, An act for the revaluation of assessable property in Saint Mary's county, and for other purposes. Ordered, That Messrs. Hawkins, Blakistone and Gough, report the same.

On motion by Mr. M'Elfresh, leave was given to bring in a bill, to be entitled, An additional supplement to the act incorporating a company for the improvement of the public road from the city of Frederick to Harper's Ferry, passed at December session 1828, chapter 142, Ordered, That Messrs. M'Elfresh, Richardson and Kemp, prepare and report the same.

On motion by Mr. Turner, leave was given to bring a bill, entitled, An act to confirm the proceedings of Nicholas Norris, of Baltimore county, acting as a justice of the peace for said county. Ordered, That Messrs. Turner, Ely and Worthington, report the same.

On motion by Mr. Merrick, leave was given to bring in a bill, entitled, An act to prohibit cock-fighting and horseracing in Washington county, and for other purposes. Ordered, That Messrs. Merrick, Yoe and Brookhart, report the same.

Mr. Brawner presented the petition of George Gardiner and William Mudd, of Charles county, praying compensation for the erection of a bridge over the main ran of Zachiah Swamp, and that said bridge may be accepted by the county, and hereafter kept as other county bridges are; which was read and referred to Messrs. Brawner, Chapman and Rogerson.

Mr. Ely presented the memorial of sundry citizens of Baltimore city and county, praying the passage of an act authorizing the enlargement of the bounds of prisons to a convenient extent; which was read and referred to Messrs. Ely, Hunt, M'Elfresh, Tilghman and Evans.

And Mr. Hawkins presented the petition of Susanna Rezier, of Saint Mary's county, praying for a divorce; which was read and referred to the committee on divorces.

On motion by Mr. Brawner, leave was given to bring in a bill, entitled, A further supplement to the act, entitled, An act for the recovery of small debts out of court, and to repeal the acts of assembly therein mentioned. Ordered, That Messrs. Brawner, Yoe and Hight, prepare and report the same.

The clerk of the senate returned the bill, entitled, An act to provide for the admission of Somerset county to the benefits of an act, entitled, An act to provide for the public instruction of youth in primary schools throughout this state, endorsed "will pass." Ordered to be engrossed. And delivered a bill originated in, and passed by the senate, entitled, An act to fix the compensation of jurors in Kent county; which was read and referred to Messrs. Wallis, Piner and Moffett. Also a bill originated in, and passed by the senate, entitled, An act to explain the second section of the