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**PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATURE OF MARYLAND.**

HOUSE OF DELEGATES.

FRIDAY, November 9, 1804.
The house met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. William Hebb, a delegate returned from St. Mary's county, appeared and after being qualified, &c. took his seat.

A petition from sundry inhabitants of the city and county of Baltimore, praying that a law may pass for the improvement of the several turnpike roads, leading to & from the city of Baltimore, was preferred, read and referred to the committee appointed to prepare and bring in bills to incorporate companies to make a turnpike road leading from the city of Baltimore, through Baltimore, Frederick and Washington counties.

Petitions from John R. Bromwell, of Talbot county; John Barrett Orion, of Harford county; Jonathan S. Hardesty, of Charles county; James Byas, of Dorchester county; Robert Cooke, Walter Wilson, Thomas Harrison, Robert Nesbit and John R. Caldwell of the city of Baltimore; Philip Welsh, of Cecil county, and George Houston, of Worcester county, praying acts of insolvency, were preferred, read and referred to the committee appointed on petitions of a similar nature.

A petition from sundry inhabitants of Harford county, praying that a law may pass to lay out a road from John Bull's blacksmith shop, near Thomas's Run, to Belle Air, and that the road leading from the said shop to Belle Air, so far as it passes through the cleared lands of the heirs of James Carr, Henry Dorsey and John Moore, may be declared a public highway, was preferred, read and referred to Messrs. Bond, Linthicum, Mongomery, Swearingen and Ayres, to consider and report thereon.

Mr. Lemmon, from the committee, delivered to the speaker, a bill, entitled, "an act to lay out and straighten a certain road in Baltimore county," which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Potter and Mr. Holbrook have of absence for a few days.

Mr. Starsbury, from the committee of claims, delivered to the speaker several reports which were read.

The house adjourned till to-morrow morning 9 o'clock.

Congress

OF THE
United States of America.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Thursday, November 8, 1804.

Mr. Early being already on two committees, was excused from serving on the committee of accounts, and Mr. Conrad appointed in his stead.

Mr. speaker laid on the table a return from the governor of New York, of the election of General S. Munro to the next congress, in the room of Mr. Tomkins resigned.

Mr. Latimore presented a memorial from the board of trustees of Jefferson college, in the Mississippi territory, expressing their apprehension of losing the lots at Natchez, with which that institution had been endowed, and praying congress to secure them in the same. The petition was referred to Messrs. Latimore, T. M. Randolph, Stedman, Allston and Elliott.

The petitions of William Dunbar and of the Mayor and corporation of the city of Natchez, were referred to the same committee.

The motion made yesterday by Dr. Leib, was taken into consideration and an amendment was proposed by adding "Blacks and People of colour, other than freemen, shall be excluded from the gallery."

This gave rise to some conversation, after which the amendment, upon a division of the house, appeared to have but one member in its favour.

The question on the resolution to exclude all persons from the lobby except members of the Senate and Stenographers, was taken and lost, only 32 members voting for it.

Mr. J. Clay offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the President of the U.S. be requested to present in the name of congress to captain Stephen Decatur, a sword of the value of dollars, and to each of the officers and crew of the United States' Frigate Intrepid,

one month's pay, as a testimony of the high sense entertained by Congress of the gallantry, good conduct and services of captain Decatur, the officers and crew of the said Frigate, in attacking and destroying a Tripolitan frigate of 44 guns, late the United States' Frigate Philadelphia.

The resolution was referred to a committee of the whole on the state of the Union, and ordered to be printed.

The committee of revision and unfinished business made a report, which was received and ordered to be printed for the use of the members.

Adjourned.

Committee of post office and post roads. Messrs. Newton, Thomas, Hannah, N. Mitchell, Lowndes, G. W. Campbell & Southard.

Committee to whom was referred the articles of impeachment against Samuel Chase—Messrs. J. Rand, Jr., Jo. C. Clay, Early, Boyle and John Rice (of Tenn.)

Friday, November 9, 1804.

The petition of John Steel, presented last session, and the petition of captain George Little, aye of the Boston Frigate, now his present, for indemnity against a judgment in the supreme court for 10,132 dollars 89 cents damage, for the illegal detention of a foreign vessel taken in the West Indies, in the year 1799, were referred to the committee of claims.

D. Mitchell moved the order of the day on the President's message, but on Mr. J. Randolph's request for a little more time for members to digest and arrange the various important points contained in that communication, Doctor Mitchell withdrew his motion.

M. Kennedy presented a petition from a number of merchants, tradesmen and farmers of the Edenton district, in North Carolina, praying the establishment of a port of entry and delivery at Plymouth. The new district to comprehend all the creeks and harbours on the Roanoke and Ciske rivers—Referred to the committee of commerce and manufactures, together with a petition presented at the last session on the same subject.

M. J. Clay's motion relative to captain Decatur, the officers and crew of the Intrepid ketel, was taken up in committee of the whole.

Mr. Parmenter in the chair.

On motion of Mr. Clay the resolution was altered by striking out after the word "sword," the words "or the value of" "dollars," and striking up the other blank with the word "two," thereby giving the officers and crew two months pay.

Mr. J. Clay, with a view of shewing the propriety of the measure, read extracts of letters written by Commodore Peble and Capt. Decatur, which may be obtained from the secretary of the navy; they contained an account of the circumstances attending this honorable exploit, which have heretofore been printed in the public newspapers.

The committee rose and reported the resolution as amended.

Mr. C. Wood presumed the object of this step was to pay a tribute of respect to those brave men who had so gallantly achieved this glorious and dangerous enterprise. He wished to do this in a manner the most honorable & notorious, and perhaps the best course would be to obtain from the head of the navy department a list of the names of the officers and the number of the crew, together with a detail of the circumstances attending the event. With this view he moved to postpone the consideration of the resolution reported by the committee of the whole till to-morrow, in order to introduce a resolution to this effect: That the secretary of the navy be directed to communicate to this house the names of the officers and the number of men employed in the destruction of the frigate in the harbor of Tripoli, together with a statement of the circumstances attending that event.

The postponement was agreed to without opposition, and the resolution of Mr. Griswold was adopted with a small variation suggested by Mr. J. Randolph, and acquiesced in by the speaker, viz. "That the president of the United States be requested to cause to be laid before this house, &c."

Mr. J. Clay and Mr. T. M. Randolph were appointed a committee to wait on the president and communicate the request of the house.

On motion of Mr. Holmes, it was agreed that when the house adjourns, it adjourn till Monday next.

Sale by Auction.

ON FRIDAY,
The 16th inst. at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, at the dwelling house of Clement M. Atlee, in Bridge street, opposite Mr. Nicholas Gorham's taylor.

A quantity of HOUSEHOLD and KITCHEN FURNITURE, consisting of

8 feather beds
1 large case drawers
1 mahogany bedstead
6 common ditto
Tables, chairs

Pots, Kettles, &c. together with a variety of other articles.

Wm. W. PRICE, auft.

INDIA GOODS.

Michael Graham,

Has just received on consignment from New York, and for sale on his usual terms,

30 bales INDIAN GOODS, consisting of

Burmese gurahs Mahard gunges
Mow manooes Blue cloths
Alabam emetics Blue gilly hawkis

Gown & cassahs Sooty ronal ditto

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ALSO, [scattered]

1 pale hedice, 3 cases white thread, assorted

1 case millinets, and an invoice of French Goods, consisting of silks, cambricks, hosiery, gloves, &c.

No. II. The whole of the above goods, entitled

to drawback.

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List of Letters.

Post Office, November 1804.

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