

him a patent for Verdant Retreat, in conformity with the warrant and certificate so altered and corrected; which was read and referred to Messrs. Haynie, Carroll and Long.

Mr. Causin delivers a bill, entitled, An act for the better regulation of the militia of the city of Baltimore; which was read.

Mr. Este delivers a bill, entitled, An act to authorise a lottery to raise a sum of money for completing the Severn Church in Anne-Arundel county; which was read.

Mr. Woodyear delivers a petition from Charles R. Green, of the city of Baltimore, praying to be released from the payment of a judgment obtained against him by the mayor and city council of Baltimore, which was read and referred to Messrs. Woodyear, Bradford and Johnson.

Mr. Thomas delivers a bill, entitled, A supplement to the act, entitled, An act authorising a lottery to raise a sum of money for building a Masonic Hall in Elkton Cecil county; which was read.

Mr. Estep delivers a petition from Lewis Griffith, of Anne-Arundel county, praying for a road to be laid out from the public road from Fielder Smith's to the ferry landing; which was read and referred to Messrs. Estep, Claggett and Grahame.

On motion by Mr. Pigman, the question was put, That leave be given to bring in a bill, entitled, An act to abolish all such parts of the constitution and form of government as relate to the time and manner of electing the senate, and the mode of filling up vacancies in that body? Resolved in the affirmative. Ordered, That Messrs. Pigman, Wilson, Stevens, Haynie and Semmes, be a committee to prepare and bring in the said bill.

On motion by Mr. Woodyear, Leave given to bring in a bill, entitled, A further supplement to the act, entitled, An act for the relief of Sarah Ellis, and her children, of the city of Baltimore. Ordered, That Messrs. Woodyear, Kell and Johnson, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

On motion by Mr. Eccleston, Leave given to bring in a bill, entitled, A supplement to the act, entitled, An act relating to inquests held by coroners. Ordered, That Messrs. Eccleston, Knight and Neale, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

Mr. Kennedy delivers the bill, entitled, An act to repeal all such parts of the act passed at March session seventeen hundred and seventy-four, as require the imprisonment of insolvent debtors, as amended; which was read.

Mr. Blakistone delivers a bill, entitled, An additional supplement to the act, entitled, An act to establish pilots and regulate their fees; which was read.

The bill for the revaluation of real and personal property in Prince-George's county, was read the second time, and on motion by Mr. Pearce, recommitted.

On motion by Mr. Semmes. Leave given to bring in a bill, entitled, A further additional supplement to the act, entitled, An act to regulate elections. Ordered, That Messrs. Semmes, Digges and Somerville, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

Mr. Hynson delivers a bill, entitled, A supplement to the act, entitled, An act to provide for the education of poor children in Kent, Talbot, Cecil, Anne-Arundel, and Montgomery counties; which was read.

Mr. Harrison from the committee delivers the following report:

The committee to whom was referred the petition of Thomas Gadd, of the city of Baltimore, an old soldier in the revolutionary war, having taken the same into consideration, are of opinion that the prayer of the petitioner ought to be granted; Therefore,

Resolved, That the treasurer of the western shore be and he is hereby directed to pay unto Thomas Gadd, of the city of Baltimore, the sum of _____ dollars, out of any unappropriated money in the treasury, in lieu of the half pay of a private, which he now receives from the state, as a remuneration for his services rendered his country during her struggle for independence.

By order,

J. YATES, Ck.

Which was read.

The house proceeded to the second reading of the report on the petition of David Palmore, and on motion by Mr. Harrison, the further consideration thereof was postponed until Tuesday next.

The house adjourns until Monday morning 9 o'clock.

MONDAY, December 15, 1817.

The house met. Present the same members as on Saturday, except Mr. Jenifer, who has leave of absence. The proceedings of Saturday were read.

Mr. Woodyear delivers a bill, entitled, A further supplement to the act, entitled, A supplement to the act, entitled, An act for the relief of Sarah Ellis and her children of the city of Baltimore; which was read.

Mr. Stevens delivers a memorial from the Philanthropic Society of Easton praying legislative interposition relative to the practice of kidnapping, and Mr. Downie a petition from sundry inhabitants of Frederick county on the same subject; which were severally read and referred to Messrs. Stevens, Nabb, Hawkins, Pigman and Carroll.

On motion by Mr. Beard, Leave given to bring in a bill, entitled, An act supplementary to an act to punish blasphemers, swearers, drunkards, and sabbath breakers. Ordered, That Messrs. Beard, Long, W. A. Stewart, Schnebly and Eccleston, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

Mr. Schnebly delivers a petition from sundry inhabitants of Washington county, praying for a law authorising the levy court of said county to levy in the four next succeeding years a sum of money for the purpose of building a gaol; which was read and referred to Messrs. Schnebly, Sweitzer and Kennedy.

Mr. Kennedy delivers a petition from sundry inhabitants of the town of William's-Port, in Washington county, praying for a law to levy on the taxable property in said town a sum of money for the purpose of purchasing a fire-engine; which was read and referred to Messrs. Kennedy, Schnebly and Sweitzer.

The additional supplement to an act to incorporate companies to make several turnpike roads through Baltimore county, and for other purposes, was read the second time, passed and sent to the senate.

Mr. Pearce delivers a petition from Thomas Marsh Forman, of Cecil county, praying that he may be permitted at his own cost to make certain alterations in the public road, so far as the same runs through his lands in Sassafras Neck; which was read and referred to Messrs. Pearce, Thomas and Tyson. Also a petition from sundry inhabitants of Cecil and Kent counties, praying for a law granting to Richard Barnaby the exclusive privilege of keeping a ferry across the river Sassafras at Frederick and Georgetown; which was read and referred to Messrs. Pearce, Eccleston and Tyson.