

The bill for the relief of Jesse Hughes of Somerset county, was read the second time by special order and passed.

The house adjourns until to-morrow morning 9 o'clock.

WEDNESDAY, December 17, 1817.

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

The supplement to an act to provide for the education of poor children in Kent, Talbot, Cecil, Anne-Arundel, and Montgomery counties; the bill for the relief of Jesse Hughes of Somerset county, and the resolution in favour of David Palmore, were sent to the senate.

Mr. Price delivers a bill, entitled, An act to authorise and confirm the sale of certain real estate of James Calder, late of Baltimore county, deceased; which was read.

Mr. Woodyear delivers a bill, entitled, An act authorising a lottery to complete Trinity Church and to build a parsonage house within the city of Baltimore; which was read.

Mr. Saulsbury delivers a petition from Samuel Lucas, of Caroline county, praying that he may be authorised to make sale of a lot of ground in the town of Easton in Talbot county, in which he has life estate; which was read and referred to Messrs. Saulsbury, Stevens and Holbrook.

Mr. Pigman delivers a petition from sundry inhabitants of Frederick county, praying for a law confirming the bed of an old road from where the said old road crosses the western fork of Patapsco Falls near Wampler's mill to the mouth of Church-street in the town of Westminster; which was read and referred to Messrs. Pigman, Downey and Showers.

Mr. Lecompte delivers a petition from Levin Craig, of Dorchester county, praying that a law may pass authorising him to make a conveyance of certain land sold by him to a certain John Smith; which was read and referred to Messrs. Lecompte, Griffith and Handy.

Mr. Kell delivers a bill, entitled, An act to alter such parts of the constitution and form of government as relates to the representation of the city of Baltimore, and to allow two additional delegates from that city to the general assembly; which was read.

Mr. Tomlinson delivers a bill, entitled, An act to appoint commissioners for the purpose of dividing Allegany county into eight separate election districts; which was read.

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

The house proceeded to the second reading of the bill, entitled, An act to establish a bank, and incorporate a company, under the name of The Centreville Bank of Maryland. On motion by Mr. Stevens, the question was put, That the following section be added to the bill: "And be it enacted, That if the president and directors of said bank shall at any time refuse to pay specie for their notes when called on, the charter shall be and is hereby declared null and void?" The yeas and nays being required appeared as follow:

AFFIRMATIVE.

Knight	Turner	Murray	Semmes	Bradford	Washington	
Eccleston	Price	Lecompte	Claggett	Davis	Forrest	
Neale	Snowden	Griffith	Wilson	Kell	Linthicum	
Hynson	Johnson	Keene	Handy	Sweitzer	Tomlinson	
C Stewart	Stevens	Pearce	Hawkins	Yates	Scott	
T H Dorsey	Tenant	Beard	Downey	Schnebly	Tidball	40
R Dorsey	Long	Digges	Buckey			

NEGATIVE.

Mr Speaker	Garner	Haynie	W R Stewart	Sewall	Saulsbury	
Causin	Showers	Thomas	Roberts	Steel	Whitely	
Weems	Nabb	Somerville	Henry	Holbrook	Woodyear	
Grahame	Carroll	Harrison	Tingle	Whitby	Kennedy	21

So it was resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. W. R. Stewart moved the following as an amendment to the bill: "provided the banks in this state shall pay specie for their notes at the time of such refusal, provided also, in case of such forfeiture the said bank shall be authorised to recover the debts as if no forfeiture had happened."

On motion by Mr. Forrest, the question was put, That the said amendment be amended as follows, after the word "refusal" insert the word "and." Strike out the word "its" and insert "all." After the word "debts" insert the words "actually due at the time of said forfeiture." Resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Long asked for a division of the question. The question was then put, That the house adopt the first part of the amendment as far as the word "refusal?" Determined in the negative. The question was then put, That the house adopt the remainder of the amendment as amended? Resolved in the affirmative.

On motion by Mr. Kennedy, the following was received as an additional section to the bill: "And be it enacted, That if the president, or any director, the cashier, or any other officer of the said bank, shall be concerned, directly or indirectly, in purchasing any note or notes, bill or bills, at more than lawful discount or interest, and information thereof be given, and supported to the satisfaction of a majority of the board, or quorum of directors, his or their seat or seats of office shall be vacated, and the directors shall fill up such vacancy or vacancies."

The bill having been read throughout, and amended, the question was put, Shall the said bill pass? The yeas and nays being required appeared as follow:

AFFIRMATIVE.

Mr. Speaker	Price	Lecompte	Digges	Roberts	Whitely	
Jones	Showers	Keene	Somerville	Buckey	Kell	
Causin	Snowden	Pearce	Semmes	Sewell	Woodyear	
Blakistone	Johnson	Tyson	Claggett	Steel	Yates	
Weems	Nabb	Thomas	Harrison	Whitby	Schnebly	
Grahame	Carroll	Beard	W. R Stewart	Saulsbury	Kennedy	38
Turner	Long					