

has been paid, since the year 1800 to 1820, inclusive; also a statement of the amount of the school fund due to the several counties; and a statement of the sums paid out of their respective parts, when and to whom the same has been paid, if any.

On motion by Mr. Boyle, Ordered, That Messrs. Boyle, J. P. Kennedy and Marriott, be a committee to examine and report to this house, if any, and what decisions have taken place in conformity to an act, entitled, An act for holding an election in Somerset county, and to enable the governor and council to determine the validity of elections for sheriffs.

The bill to provide for the payment of the jurors in Prince George's county, was read the second time, passed, and sent to the senate.

Mr. J. P. Kennedy, reports a bill, entitled, An act to authorise the establishment of an additional warehouse in the city of Baltimore for the inspection of tobacco; which was twice read, passed and sent to the senate; And a bill, entitled, An act for the relief of the persons therein named; which was read.

Mr. Gabby presents a petition from the managers of the Hager's town Female Society, for the instruction of poor children, praying that a portion of the school fund may be appropriated to said institution; which was read and referred to Messrs. Gabby, Bowles and Keishner.

On motion by Mr. Reeder, Leave given to bring in a bill, to establish a patrol in Saint Mary's county. Ordered, That Messrs. Reeder, Key and Plater, report the same.

Mr. J. B. Eccleston reports a bill, entitled, An act annulling the marriage of Theophilus Russell, of Kent county, and Ann his wife; which was twice read, passed, and sent to the senate.

The bill for the relief of John King, and certain other securities of William S. Handy, late collector of Somerset county, was read the second time, passed and sent to the senate.

Mr. Edelen presents a petition from Thomas A. Davis, late sheriff and collector of Charles county, praying further time to complete his collection; which was read and referred to Messrs. Edelen, Stodert and Posey.

Mr. Wroth presents a petition from sundry inhabitants of Cecil county, praying for a law making it felony for a slave to abscond from his master; which was read and referred to Messrs. Wroth, Maulsby, Wright, J. B. Eccleston and J. Forrest.

The bill annulling the marriage of Walter Williams, and Elizabeth Ann Williams, formerly Elizabeth Ann Tildin, of the city of Baltimore, was read the second time, passed, and sent to the senate.

The clerk of the senate delivers the bill for the relief of Jesse Hughes, endorsed, "will pass." Ordered to be engrossed. The bill for the relief of William Hodgkiss, of Frederick county, endorsed, "will not pass." And a bill entitled, An additional supplement to an act to regulate the inspection of tobacco, endorsed, "will pass;" which was read.

Mr. J. Forrest reports a bill, entitled, An act for the sale of the real estate of Leonard Covington, deceased; which was twice read, passed and sent to the senate.

Mr. Maulsby presents a petition from the levy court of Harford County, praying a revision of the laws relative to their duties, and for a new criminal fee bill; which was read and referred to Messrs. Maulsby, Key, Alderson, Forrest and T. Kennedy.

Mr. Hilleary reports a bill, entitled, A supplement to an act passed at December session 1819, relating to the school fund in the several counties therein mentioned; which was read.

Mr. J. P. Kennedy presents a petition from Peter Ulrick, praying a special act of insolvency; which was read and referred to Messrs. J. P. Kennedy, Barney, and Duvall.

On motion by Mr. J. B. Eccleston, Ordered, That the treasurer of the western shore be requested to furnish this house with a statement of the judgments due the state of Maryland, designating such as are deemed valid, and such as are deemed invalid, and also specifying the amount of each judgment, and the date of its rendition.

Mr. J. B. Eccleston reports a bill, entitled, An additional 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.

On motion by Mr. J. B. Eccleston, the question was put, That the house dispense with the 16th rule for the purpose of giving the same a second reading? Determined in the negative.

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

FRIDAY, December 22, 1820.

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

On motion by Mr. Reeder, Ordered, That the bill relative to sales by public auction, have a second reading on the 15th of January next.

Mr. J. S. Moffitt presents a petition from Thomas Coale, of Cecil county, praying a special act of insolvency; which was read and referred to Messrs. J. S. Moffitt, Archer and T. Williams.

Mr. Barney presents a petition from sundry inhabitants of the city of Baltimore, praying for a repeal or modification of an act, entitled, An act relating to the city of Baltimore; which was read and referred to Messrs. Barney, J. P. Kennedy and Orrick.

The speaker laid before the house a letter from the treasurer of the western shore, stating that it is not in his power to furnish the information required by the order of this house of the 21st instant; which was read.

The bill authorising George A. Dunkel, of the city of Baltimore, to remove a certain negro slave from Berkley county, Virginia, into this state, was read the second time, passed, and sent to the senate.

Mr. Boyle delivers the following report:

The committee to whom was referred the memorial of William Kilty, Thomas Harris, and John N. Watkins, on the compilation of the laws made by them under the authority of the general assembly, beg leave to report—That they have had the said memorial under consideration, and find that the statement made therein corresponds with the arrangement of the acts of assembly, resolutions, and other matter contained in the work. The work itself, as far as they have had it in their power to examine, appears to have been executed with great care and attention, and has been a work of great labour, and is highly important to the state. A compilation of the laws, and other proceedings within the period prescribed,