

time to complete the collections of said Handy, and to revive an act therein mentioned; which were read

The house, according to the order of the day, proceeded to the second reading of the supplement to the act, entitled, An act relating to negroes, and to repeal the acts of assembly therein mentioned. On motion by Mr. Lecompte. That the following be stricken out, to wit: "that from and after the passage of this act, it may be lawful for any inhabitant of this state, or any citizen of the United States, who shall come into this state with a bona fide intention of settling therein, to import or bring into this state any slave or slaves, the property of such inhabitants, or citizen removing as aforesaid, at the time such slave or slaves may be imported or brought in as aforesaid?" and after some time spent in debating the same, the house adjourned until to-morrow morning o'clock.

WEDNESDAY, January 10, 1821.

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

Mr. Barney presents a petition from Benjamin Rawlings, of the city of Baltimore, praying a special act of insolvency; which was read and referred to Messrs. Barney, S. Stevens and Gaither.

The amendments proposed to the bill for the relief of Peter Ulrich, and to the bill for the relief of Earnest Voight, were read the second time, assented to, and the bills ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Duvall presents a petition from Jeremiah Townley Chase, praying that an appeal from the judgment of Anne-Arundel county court in his favour, may be dismissed, and the amount of said judgment be directed to be paid; which was read and referred to Messrs. Duvall, T. W. Hall and Boyle.

Mr. T. Kennedy reports a bill, entitled, A supplement to an act, entitled, An act to incorporate a company to make a turnpike road from the town of Westminster, in Frederick county, through Harman's Gap, to Hager's-town, in Washington county. Mr. Dennis reports a bill, entitled, An act to regulate the wharf landing of Pratt street extended, and the west front of Bowley's wharf in the city of Baltimore. Mr. Forrest reports a bill, entitled, An act authorising the levy court of Prince-George's county to levy a sum of money for the purposes therein mentioned. And Mr. Harding reports a bill, entitled, An act authorising a lottery for the benefit of the Rockville and Barnes-town Roman Catholic Congregations in Montgomery county; which were read.

Mr. Hilleary presents a petition from sundry inhabitants of Allegany county, praying that droves of cattle may not be permitted to go at large in certain parts of said county; which was read and referred to the committee appointed on petitions of a similar nature.

On motion by Mr. Marriott, the following resolutions were read.

Resolved, That the governor and council be and they are hereby authorised and requested, to sell and dispose of the powder belonging to this state, or such part thereof as they may deem advisable, in such manner, and upon such terms, as they may conceive to be advantage us to the state; also the tents belonging to the state, if in their judgment a sale of the same can be effected without too great a sacrifice.

Resolved, That the governor and council be and they are hereby authorised and empowered, to sell and dispose of, upon such terms as they may conceive best, such part of the arms belonging to this state as may be considered by them not worth repairing.

Resolved, That the governor and council be and they are hereby authorised and empowered, to contract for the repairing and cleaning of such of the arms as still require to be repaired and cleaned, and also for the cleaning and oiling of the cartridge boxes and sword belts, and that for the purpose of effecting the object of this resolution, they draw on the treasurer of the western shore for a sum of money not exceeding _____ dollars.

On motion by Mr. Lake, Leave given to bring in a bill entitled, An act to facilitate the collection of the county tax in Dorchester county. Ordered, That Messrs. Lake, Eccleston and Lecompte, report the same.

Mr. Duvall delivers the following report:

The committee to whom was referred the memorial of Jeremiah T. Chase, Esquire, state—That the subject has been under consideration, and find that the judgment, the amount of which is now claimed, is moved by writ of error to the court of appeals, and there now pending.

Your committee therefore are of opinion, that an interference at this time by the legislature, would be premature, and that the petitioner have leave to withdraw his petition.

By order,

S. S. HODGKIN, Clk.

Which was read.

Mr. Bowles presents a petition from Daniel Schnebly, of Washington county, praying further time to complete his collection; which was read and referred to Messrs. Bowles, T. Kennedy and Kershner.

On motion by Mr. Allen, the following order was read the first and second time:

Ordered, That a bill, entitled, An act concerning joint tenancy, proposed to the house of delegates at the present session, the substance and tenor of which bill is as follows: Be it enacted by the general assembly of Maryland, that of whatever kind the estate or things holden or possessed by joint tenants may be, the parts of those who die first shall not accrue to the survivor or survivors, but shall descend or pass by devise, and shall be subject to debts, charges, curtesy or dower, or transmissible to the executors or administrators, or be considered, to every other intent and purpose, in the same manner as if such deceased joint tenants had been tenants in common; provided, that nothing in this act contained shall be construed to extend to trustees or executors; be published by the executive of this state, for the consideration of the people of Maryland, in all the newspapers of this state.

On motion by Mr. J. B. Eccleston, the question was put, That the words "this state" be stricken out, for the purpose of inserting the words "the United States?" Determined in the negative.

On motion by Mr. Allen, the question was put, That the words "all the newspapers" be stricken out for the purpose of inserting the words "three of the newspapers?" Determined in the negative.

The question was then put, That the house assent to the order? Determined in the negative.

On motion by Mr. J. Forrest, Leave given to bring in a bill, entitled, An act to authorise the levy court of Prince-George's county to assess a sum of money for the repairs of the court house in said county. Ordered, That Messrs. J. Forrest, R. T. Hall, and Cross, report the same.

On motion by Mr. Wright, Leave given to bring in a bill, entitled, An act to allow Richard Moffett,