

Mr Frazier reports a bill entitled, An act annulling the marriage of John Shanks, of Dorchester county, and Lydia his wife; which was read.

Mr Kennedy reports a bill entitled, An act for the relief of Mary Clap and others, of the city of Baltimore; which was read.

On motion by Mr. Orrick, the following message was read:

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, December 14, 1821.

*Gentlemen of the Senate,*

We propose with the concurrence of your honorable body to adjourn from Friday the 21st inst. until Monday the 31st.

On motion by Mr. Kennedy, "Saturday the 22nd," was inserted in lieu of Friday.

On motion by Mr Semmes, that "Monday the 31st" be stricken out, for the purpose of inserting "Wednesday the 26th," a division of the question was called for and put on striking out? Resolved in the affirmative.

On motion by Mr. Orrick, the question was put on filling the blank with "Saturday the 29th?" Determined in the negative.

On motion by Mr Forwood, the question was put on "Friday?" Determined in the negative.

On motion by Mr. Norris, the question was put, that the house reconsider the question for filling it up with "Monday 31st?" Determined in the negative.

On motion by Mr Orrick, the question was put on "Thursday?" Determined in the negative.

On motion by Mr. Orrick, the question was put on "Wednesday?" Determined in the negative.

On motion by Mr Orrick, the question was put, on "Saturday?" Determined in the negative.

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

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 15, 1821.

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

On motion by Mr Carroll, the following resolution was read, assented to, and sent to the senate:

RESOLVED, That the treasurer of the western shore advance to Jehu Chandler, the sum of two hundred dollars, in part of the allowance which may be due him on the journal of accounts for printing the running business of the house.

Mr. Harris presents a petition from Susannah Ringgold, of Kent county, praying for support; which was read and referred to Messrs. Harris, Hoffman and Hall.

Mr. Bowles presents a petition from Henry Lewis, of Washington county, praying a special act of insolvency; read and referred to Messrs Bowles, Kershner and Gabby.

The bill to encourage the destruction of crows in Kent county, and to repeal the act of assembly therein mentioned, was read the second time, passed and sent to the senate.

Mr. Pigman presents a petition from William Smith, of Frederick county, praying a special act of insolvency; read and referred to Messrs Pigman, Culier and Kemp.

On motion by Mr. Bruce, ORDERED, That the clerk be, and he is hereby requested to write to the different county clerks, and request them without delay to furnish this house with an annual average estimate of the number of original writs issued, and juries impannaled in civil cases by them respectively, founding said average upon the proceedings of the four last years.

The clerk of the senate delivers the further supplement to the act entitled, An act for the distribution of a certain fund for the purpose of establishing free schools in the several counties therein named, and the bill authorising Elizabeth Hoffman to remove her female negro slave from the state of Virginia into this state, severally endorsed, "will pass." Ordered to be engrossed. And a bill entitled, An act to prevent the erection of booths within two miles of any methodist camp or quarterly meeting in Calvert county, endorsed, "will pass;" which was read.

Mr Pigman reports a bill entitled, An act to alter and repeal such parts of the constitution of this state as relates to the division Frederick county into election districts; which was read.

The bill to authorize John Aydelotte, of Worcester county, to bring into the state of Maryland his negro slave named Parker, was read the second time, passed and sent to the senate.

Mr. Harris presents a bill entitled, An act for the support of Susannah Ringgold, of Kent county; which was read.

Mr Orrick presents a petition from George Illicott and others, praying commissioners may be appointed to lay out a road down Patapsco falls on the north side thereof in Baltimore county, from their mills on the Baltimore and Frederick turnpike road, to the iron works at Avalon, formerly Dorsey's forge, and from thence to the Baltimore and Washington turnpike road, to intersect the same near the toll bridge across the falls; read and referred to Messrs Orrick, Marriott and Snowden.

Mr A. Spence presents a petition from Henry Truitt, of Worcester county, praying for support; read and referred to Messrs A. Spence, Parnell and J. S. Spence.

The clerk of the senate delivers a bill entitled, An act to alter and change the place of holding the elections in the first election district in Harford county, "endorsed, "will pass." Ordered to be engrossed. And a bill entitled, A further additional supplement to an act entitled, an act to incorporate a company for erecting a bridge over Chester river, at Chester town; which was read.

Mr Bowles presents a petition from Michael House, a revolutionary soldier; which was read and referred to the committee on pensions and revolutionary claims.

On motion by Mr Forwood, the following resolutions were read:

WHEREAS, The funds of the state are much exhausted, and some plan to replenish the treasury must be resorted to, and that it is the duty of this legislature to exercise every nerve to save the state from a direct tax is unquestionable. And whereas, a liberal hand, when the state was overflowing with wealth, was extended to schools, academies and colleges, by which a few of the most wealthy