

On motion by Mr. Dorsey, the following order was read.

WHEREAS, a communication has been received from Samuel Barnes, enclosing a record of a trial against him for a libel charging Abraham Shriver with official corruption in his office of associate Judge, and on which trial the said Barnes pleaded not guilty, and gave in evidence the truth of the facts by him published, and a verdict of not guilty was returned thereon; and whereas the said Abraham Shriver has repaired to this place, and has communicated in his memorial to this house "that he is ready and anxious to meet without delay longer than is essential to the ends of justice," the said charge touching his official conduct; and as at the late period of the session, it is problematical if the Committee of Grievances and Courts of Justice can make the enquiry imposed on them by the order of this house, in time for a final disposition thereof, during the present session, and as it is essential for public justice and the character of the Judge, that the investigation of his conduct shall not be delayed, therefore, ORDERED, That this house will proceed to hear evidence in relation thereto, and that the Committee of Grievances and Courts of Justice cause such persons to be subpoenaed as they shall deem expedient to have examined in relation to the official conduct of the Judge, and to ascertain if he has so misdemeaned himself in his office of Judge, as to require that this house shall address the Governor, requiring him to remove said Shriver from his office of Judge.

On motion by Mr. Mariotti, ORDERED, That the clerk of the House of Delegates issue subpoenas to such persons as the chairman of the Committee of Grievances and Courts of Justice shall direct in the case of the Honorable Abraham Shriver.

On motion by Mr. Dennis, Ordered, That Messrs. Ara, Spence and Dorsey, be added to the Committee of Grievances and Courts of Justice.

Mr. Kennedy from the Committee of Conference, reports a bill entitled, An act relating to the University of Maryland; which was read

The house adjourns until Monday morning, 9 o'clock.

MONDAY, JANUARY 21, 1822.

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

The message appointing a committee to inspect the wing-dam on the Susquehannah river, was sent to the senate.

The bill for the relief of Mary Debruler, of Frederick county, was read the second time, passed and sent to the senate.

The bill to confirm and make valid the acts and proceedings of John Rigby, a justice of the peace for Queen Ann's county; The bill relating to the University of Maryland, and the bill to enable the commissioners of the town of Havre de Grace to hold a lot of ground and the improvements therein mentioned, were read the second time, passed and sent to the senate.

The amendments to the bill authorising the Levy court of Washington county to appoint commissioners to divide said county into seven election districts, and for other purposes, were read the second time, assented to, and the bill ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Jenifer presents a petition from sundry inhabitants of Charles county, praying that the law of 1723, inflicting the punishment of cropping, may be repealed; read and referred to Messrs. Jenifer, Rogerson and Ebelen

Mr. Pigman presents a petition from George Hoffman and others, praying that a court of equity may be authorized to decree a specific performance of certain contracts; read and referred to Messrs. Pigman, H. Kemp and Caller.

Mr. Bowles delivers the following report:

The committee on pensions and revolutionary claims, to whom was referred the petition of Peter G. bhart, of Allegany county, have had the same under consideration, and on reference to a resolution No 31, passed at December session, 1815, find he has been paid in full for all his services rendered during the revolutionary war. They therefore recommend that he have leave to withdraw his petition. By order, SAMUEL S. HODGKIN, Clk.

Which was read and concurred with.

Mr. Edelen presents a memorial from sundry inhabitants of Port Tobacco, counter to the petition relative to the Hydrant company; read and referred to the committee appointed on the petition to which it is counter

Mr. Carroll delivers a petition from Mary Johnson of the city of Annapolis, praying for support; read and referred to the committee appointed on petitions of a similar nature.

On motion by Mr. Hughes, the following resolution was read:

WHEREAS, The corporation of the city of Annapolis have enacted a by-law providing for the kirbing and paving the street round the public circle, and requiring the owners of property thereon to have the foot-ways paved; and it being a very desirable improvement of the public property: Therefore, Resolved, That the governor and council be, and they are hereby authorized to draw upon the treasurer of the Western Shore for the amount of the expenses that may accrue in kirbing and paving the foot-way round the public circle on the side of the street leading on the said circle, and that the sum of _____ dollars be, and is hereby appropriated for the said purposes.

On motion by Mr. Weems, ORDERED, That the bill to ascertain and establish a divisional line between Anne Arundel and Calvert counties, have a second reading on Thursday next.

The bill authorising the court of Harford county to adjudge to be laid out and opened certain roads; the bill for the benefit of Basil L. Stocker and Ann his wife, William Humes, Levi Stocker and Sarah his wife, and Nancy Humes, and the bill to prevent swine from running at large in the