

The bill to confirm an act passed at December session, eighteen hundred twenty-one, entitled, An act to alter, change and repeal all such parts of the constitution and form of government of this state, as relates to the division of Baltimore county into election districts; was read the second time, passed and sent to the senate.

Mr. J. P. Kennedy presents a petition from the Jefferson Association, of the city of Baltimore, praying to be incorporated; read and referred to Messrs. J. P. Kennedy, Purviance and Norris.

Also a petition from Richard Bennet Mitchell, of the city of Baltimore, praying he may be allowed certain sums expended by him as guardian to the heirs of Daniel Deady, deceased; read and referred to Messrs. J. P. Kennedy, Stansbury and Purviance.

Mr. Purviance presents a petition from Everiste Murry, of the city of Baltimore, praying for a divorce; read and referred to Messrs. Purviance, J. P. Kennedy and Johnson.

Mr. Howard presents a petition from Andrew Mercier, of Anne Arundel county, and William Wagers, of Baltimore county, praying that a deed to be executed by the former to the latter, may be made valid; read and referred to Messrs. Howard, Linthicum and Stansbury.

The bill to confirm an act, to alter and repeal such parts of the constitution and form of government of this state, as relates to the division of Frederick county, into election districts, was read the second time, passed and sent to the senate.

On motion by Mr. Cassin, leave given to bring in a bill, entitled, An act for building a bridge over Tuckahoe creek, where the old bridge now stands, and to repeal an act passed at the last session of the legislature, relative to the same; Ordered, That Messrs. Cassin, Mcconiken and Loockerman, report the same.

On motion by Mr. Teackle, leave given to bring in a bill, entitled, An additional supplement to the act, entitled, An act for the relief of the poor in the counties of Dorchester and Somerset; Ordered, That Messrs. Teackle, Jones and Dennis, report the same.

On motion by Mr. Loockerman, leave given to bring in a bill, entitled, An act to alter and change the time of the meeting of the general assembly of Maryland, and for other purposes; Ordered, That Messrs. Loockerman, Wright and Franklin, report the same.

On motion by Mr. Allen, leave given to bring in a bill, entitled, An act to repeal an act to regulate the manner of obtaining and altering public roads in this state; Ordered, That Messrs. Allen, Chancey and Boon, report the same.

Mr. Stone reports a bill, entitled, An act for the support of George Buckler, of Saint Mary's county; was read.

Mr. Kilgour reports a bill, entitled, An act to authorise the citizens of this state to sue in any of its county courts without being compelled to give security for officers fees; and Mr. J. P. Kennedy reports a bill, entitled, An act to incorporate the Jefferson association of Baltimore; which were read.

Mr. Teackle delivers the following report:

The committee to whom was referred the petition of Richard Waller, Josiah Broughton and Samuel Heath, in behalf of themselves, and others, securities of William S. Handy, late sheriff of Somerset county, beg leave to report as follows: That they have examined the facts stated in the said petition, and believing them to be true, they therefore recommend the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That it is expedient to grant the prayer of the petitioners, and that the treasurer of the Eastern Shore, or the sheriff of Somerset county, be, and he is hereby authorised to receive the principal sum or sums due to the state from any one or more of the said securities, and all costs, in full payment of the states' claim or claims on him or them.

By order,

J. DOUGLASS, Clk.

Which was read.

The clerk of the senate delivers the following message:

BY THE SENATE, December 11, 1822.

*Gentlemen of the House of Delegates,*

This being the day heretofore agreed on by your honorable body and the senate, for the election of a senator to represent this state in the senate of the United States, we propose to go into said election at 12 o'clock. Gen. Samuel Smith is nominated by us for this station. Messrs. Johnson and Quinton are appointed on the part of the senate, to join such gentlemen as shall be named by you to count the ballots.

By order,

WM. KILTY, Clk.

Which was read.

Mr. Carroll delivers the following report:

The committee to which was referred the memorial of the Alumni of St. John's and Washington Colleges, beg leave to submit to the consideration of the house the following resolutions. They offer them for the purpose of having the constitutionality of the laws, withdrawing the funds formerly granted to the university of Maryland, decided by the chief judicial tribunal of the state. This measure is recommended that, if any injustice has been done, the legislature may have an opportunity of repairing it, and if not, that the faith of the state may be rescued from the imputation under which it labors; Therefore,

*Resolved*, That in any suit or suits, action or actions, either in law or equity, which may or shall be commenced by the "visitors and governors of Saint John's College in the state of Maryland," against this state or any of its officers, with a view to try the constitutionality of a law passed at November session, in the year one thousand eight hundred and five, chapter eighty five, entitled, "An act to withdraw the funds from Washington and Saint John's Colleges, and subject the same to the appropriation of the legislature;" the attorney general be instructed and required, and he is hereby instructed and required, to appear to such suit or suits on behalf