

On motion by *Mr. Thomas Kennedy*, leave given to bring in a bill, entitled, An act to alter and explain an act, entitled, An act for the relief of George Wolmendorf, of Washington county, passed at December session 1821, chapter 198; Ordered, That *Messrs. T. Kennedy, Keller and Drury*, report the same.

The bill annulling the marriage of *Evereste Maury*, and *Charlotte Maury*, of the city of Baltimore, was read the second time; and on motion by *Mr. J. P. Kennedy*, was recommitted.

The clerk of the senate delivers the following message:

BY THE SENATE, December 16, 1822.

*Gentlemen of the House of Delegates*—We have received your message, proposing the appointment of a joint committee to call upon the governor elect, to ascertain when it will be convenient for him to qualify, and have appointed *Messrs. Chambers and Dickinson*, to join the gentlemen named by your house.

Which was read.

By order,

WM. KILTY, Clk.

The bill to make valid the proceedings of the levy court, of Allegany county; was read the second time, passed, and sent to the senate.

*Mr. Wright* reports a bill, entitled, An act to authorise *Nathan Betton*, late sheriff of Queen Anne's county, to complete his collections; which was read.

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

Whereas, *General Washington*, resigned to the Congress of the United States, assembled in the senate chamber of the state of Maryland, that commission, under which he so gloriously and so successfully contended for the liberties of his country; and the members of the present legislature, anxious to testify their veneration for his character, and particularly their gratitude for this most distinguished event, do resolve, That the governor be requested to procure, for the purpose of placing it in the senate chamber of this state, upon the very spot whereon he stood, a marble statue of *General Washington*, in the attitude of delivering his commission to the president of Congress.

And be it resolved, That a sum of money not exceeding five thousand dollars, be and the same is hereby appropriated, to carry into effect the foregoing resolution.

*Mr. Allen* presents a petition from *Elizabeth Shaw*, praying for a divorce; which was read and referred to *Messrs. Allen, Whiteford and Norris*.

On motion by *Mr. J. P. Kennedy*; Ordered, that the bill to repeal parts of the supplement to the act laying duties on licenses to retailers of dry goods, and for other purposes, passed at December session 1821, chapter 246, have a second reading on the 16th of January next.

The bill for the benefit of *Dennis Hill and Sophia Livess*, of Frederick county; was read the second time, passed, and sent to the senate.

On motion by *Mr. J. P. Kennedy*, the question was put, that the order proposing a committee on all petitions for divorces be reconsidered? Resolved in the affirmative. The house assented to the order, and the speaker appointed *Messrs. Thomas Kennedy, Millard, Jones, Chauncey, Maddox, Sheridine and Saulsbury*.

The clerk of the senate delivers a bill, entitled, An act to settle and ascertain the divisional line between *Anne Arundel and Calvert counties*, endorsed "will pass;" which was read and ordered to be printed. Also the bill to confirm an act, entitled, 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. And the bill to appoint commissioners for the purpose of dividing *Dochester county* into six separate election districts, severally endorsed, "will pass;" Ordered to be engrossed.

On motion by *Mr. Allen*; Ordered, that the petition of *Elizabeth Shaw*, be referred to the committee appointed on petitions for divorces.

The further supplement to an act, for the distribution of a certain fund, for the purpose of establishing free schools in the several counties therein named; was read the second time and passed.

On motion by *Mr. J. P. Kennedy*; Ordered, that the bill for the relief of *Catharine Jeyd*; and the bill for the relief of *John Hill*, each for a divorce; be referred to the committee appointed on applications for divorces.

*Mr. J. P. Kennedy*, reports a bill, entitled, An act relating to the Union Bank of Maryland.

*Mr. T. Kennedy* reports a bill, entitled, An act, to alter and explain an act, entitled, An act for the relief of *George Womelder*, of Washington county, passed at December session 1821, chapter 198; And *Mr. Millard* reports a bill, entitled, An act to pay the civil list, and other expenses of civil government; which were read.

Ordered, That the bill annulling the marriage of *Evereste Maury* and wife; and the bill to divorce *Theophilus Russell* and wife; be referred to the committee appointed on that subject.

*Mr. Douglass* presents a petition from *William and Eliza Trice*, praying their names be changed; read and referred to *Messrs. Douglass, Casson and Saulsbury*.

*Mr. Douglass* reports a bill, entitled, An act to change and alter the names of *William Trice and Eliza Trice*, of *Caroline county*, to *William Medford and Eliza Medford*; which was read.

On motion by *Mr. Farquhar*; Ordered, that the petition of *Catharine Stimmell*, be referred to the committee appointed on divorces.

*Mr. Chambers and Mr. Dickinson* from the senate, informs the speaker, that the governor elect is attending in the senate chamber, where the senate request his attendance, with the members of the house of delegates, to see the governor qualify. The speaker left the chair, and attended by the members of this house, went to the senate chamber where his excellency qualified in the presence of both houses, by subscribing a declaration of his belief in the christian religion, by taking the several oaths required by the constitution and form of government,