

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 31, 1822.

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

On motion by Mr. Howard, Ordered, that the bill to establish the divisional line between Calvert and Anne-Arundel counties, have a second reading on the 8th January next.

The bill for the benefit of Walter Sims; the bill to build a bridge over Patuxent river, at Queen-Anne; and the resolution and message relative to the death of the honorable William Craig, Junior, were sent to the senate.

Mr. Allen reports a bill, entitled, An act to abolish survivorship in joint tenancy, as amended; which was read.

Mr. Whiteford presents a petition from the president and directors of the Susquehanna Bridge Company, praying for a lottery; read and referred to Messrs. Whiteford, Allen and Chauncey.

The speaker laid before the house a communication from the clerk of Cecil county, relative to the attendance of judges; read and referred to the committee of grievances and courts of justice.

Mr. Salsbury presents a petition from Mary Sylvester, of Caroline county, praying for support; read and referred to Messrs. Salsbury, Casson and Boon.

Mr. Ireland presents a petition from James Dunbar, of Kent county, praying that his name may be changed to that of James Templeton Dunbar; read and referred to Messrs. Ireland, Hodges and Massey.

On motion by Mr. Millard, Ordered, That the bill to pay the civil list, and other expenses of civil government, have a second reading on the 25th January.

Mr. Salsbury presents a petition from Solomen Cahall, of Caroline county, praying that some person may be authorised to make a conveyance of property purchased by him of William Fountain; read and referred to Messrs. Salsbury, Boon and Douglass.

Mr. Purviance presents a petition from Gilbert Middleton; read and referred to the committee on pensions and revolutionary claims.

Mr. Greenwell reports a bill for the benefit of Thomas Ruby, of Allegany county; which was read.

Mr. Thomas Kennedy announced the death of his colleague elect, Colonel Elie Williams, and moved the following order; which was assented to:

*Ordered*, That the members of this house, in respect to the memory of Colonel Elie Williams, a member elect, and returned from Washington county, who departed this life on the 29th inst wear a scarf on the left arm for thirty days.

Mr. Purviance reports a bill, entitled, An act for the relief of Elizabeth Hance Philpot, of Baltimore county; which was read.

On motion by Mr. Thomas Kennedy, Ordered, That the bill relative to the oaths to be taken by members of the legislature, have a second reading on the 10th January next.

Mr. Purviance presents a petition from John Piet, of the city of Baltimore, praying he may remove certain slaves into this state; read and referred to Messrs. Purviance, John P. Kennedy, and Stansbury.

On motion by Mr. Allen ordered, That the further supplement to the act for amending and reducing into system the laws and regulations concerning last wills and testaments, have a second reading on the 7th January next.

On motion by Mr. Pratt, leave given to bring in a bill, entitled, An act to tax malt liquors. Ordered, That Messrs. Pratt, Purviance and Millard, report the same.

Mr. John P. Kennedy presents a petition from the Baltimore Carpenters' Humane Society, praying to be released from the restraints of the lottery law; read and referred to Messrs. John P. Kennedy, Purviance and Johnson.

Mr. Pollard presents a petition from Michael Ruckle, of Allegany county, praying for a divorce; read and referred to the committee appointed on divorces.

On motion by Mr. Allen, Ordered, That the committee appointed to bring in a bill to regulate the fees of different officers of the county courts, have leave to report distinct and separate bills regulating the fees of each officer.

The bill for the relief of John B. M'Kawn, was read the second time and passed.

On motion by Mr. Archibald Lee, the following order was read:

*Ordered*, That the speaker do appropriate the seats for the accomodation of the members of this house, so as to enable the delegations to sit together.

On motion by Mr. Millard, the word "speaker" was stricken out, and the words "sergeant at arms" inserted in lieu thereof.

Mr. Archibald Lee withdrew the order proposed by him, as amended.

On motion of Mr. Wootten, the following order was read:

*Ordered*, That a committee be appointed to appropriate seats for the members in such a way as will enable the several delegations to sit together.

On motion by Mr. Norris, the whole of the same from the word "Ordered," was stricken out.

The clerk of the senate delivers the resolution relative to the death of William Craig, junior Esquire, endorsed, 'assented to.' And the following message:

BY THE SENATE, December 31, 1822.

*Gentlemen of the House of Delegates*—We have received your message informing us of the melancholy event of the decease of the late William Craig, junior, a delegate from Cecil county, and we sincerely deplore the loss of an individual so much esteemed as the deceased. In conformity with your wishes, the senate, as a testimonial of their respect for the memory of the