

Bowling, formerly sheriff of Prince George's county, be, and the same are hereby suspended until the first day of March 1827, provided the said John Carter shall pay one fourth of the debts due to the state from Basil Bowling and John Carter aforesaid, with six per cent interest and all the costs, on or before the first day of March 1824; one fourth part of said debts with six per cent interest, and any additional costs that may accrue, on or before the first day of March 1825; one fourth with six per cent interest and any additional costs, on or before the first day of March 1826; and the remaining fourth with six per cent interest and all additional costs thereon, on or before the first day of March 1827; provided nothing herein contained shall be construed to release the right of the state to any property real or personal, which has been already taken in execution, or the property of any of the persons aforesaid; and if the first payment is not punctually paid on or before the time specified, this resolution shall be considered null and void.

Mr. Martin reports a bill entitled, an act to prevent the unnecessary accumulation of costs instituted upon any bond or note.

Mr. W. G. D. Worthington reports a bill, entitled, an act for the relief of Joseph Nattali, of the city of Baltimore.

The clerk of the senate delivers a communication from the executive, inclosing a report and resolutions of the legislature of Illinois, on the report and resolutions of the state of Maryland, on the subject of a claim to grant of lands from the United States, for the purposes of education; endorsed, read and referred to the house of delegates; which was read.

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

WEDNESDAY, December 31, 1823.

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

Mr. Chesley delivers the following resolution:

The committee of elections and privileges, respectfully beg leave to submit the following additional report: That they have examined the return of the judges of the election held in Cecil county, by virtue of a warrant of the honorable speaker of the house of delegates, for filling the vacancy occasioned by the death of Daniel Shoredine, Esq. and find that from the said return, Samuel Kerr, Esq. is duly elected, declared & returned a delegate to the general assembly to supply the said vacancy; but in it having deliberated upon the memorial of James Purnell (which was referred to them) they are satisfied that the said election was not held agreeably to the constitution and laws of this state, and therefore recommend that a warrant be forthwith issued by the honorable the speaker of the house for the election of a delegate to fill the aforesaid vacancy. All which is submitted. By order, J. COCKEY, Jr. Clk.

Which was twice read and concurred with.

Mr. Carroll presents a petition from Robert Wilmott of Bourbon county, Kentucky; referred to the committee on pensions and revolutionary claims.

Mr. W. Stewart presents a petition from Simon Fraser, praying for a special act of insolvency; referred to Messrs W. Stuart, Merrick and W. G. D. Worthington.

Mr. Whiteford presents a petition from Elizabeth Shaw, praying a divorce; referred to the committee on divorces.

The bill to abolish an useless expense attending jury trials; was read the second time, and the question was put, shall the said bill pass? The yeas and nays being required, appeared as follow:

AFFIRMATIVE.—Messrs Speaker, Millard, Linthecum, C. R. Stewart, Iglehart, Chesley, Dalrymple, Johnson, Ely, Lockerman, Martin, Spencer, Dennis, Bratton, Dashiell, Willis, Henderson, Gerry, Bryan, Semmes, Hopper, Moffett, Nicholson, Slemaker, Turbutt, Crumwell, Norris, Steele, Kershner, Bowles, Merrick, Bruce, Sprigg, M'Mahon, M'Henry—35.

NEGATIVE.—Messrs Leigh, Gough, Ireland, Gale, Hodges, Weems, Millar, Edelen, Rogerson, Garner, Lloyd, Jones, Hutson, E. B. Duvall, Wootton, Clarke, Carroll, Purnell, Fisher, Whiteford, Elijah Barwick, W. Stuart, W. G. D. Worthington, Williams, W. Duvall—25.

Resolved in the affirmative and the bill sent to the senate.

Mr. Jones presents a petition from Richard Waller and others, praying to be released from the interest on a debt due by them to the state; referred to Messrs. Jones, Dennis and Bratton.

Mr. Kershner presents a petition from sundry inhabitants of Washington county, praying an additional supplement to the act entitled, an act to provide for the building of a bridge over Antieatum creek, in Washington county, referred to Messrs Kershner, Bowles and Merrick.

Mr. Slemaker presents a petition from Philip Webdell, praying for support; referred to Messrs Slemaker, Franklin and Purnell.

On motion by Mr. Semmes, the bill to incorporate the Beneficial Society of Fell's Point, was agreed to be reconsidered. On motion by Mr. W. G. D. Worthington, the same was made the order of the day for Tuesday next.

The resolution in favor of John Carter, was read the second time, amended, assented to, and sent to the senate.

The speaker laid before the house a report from the clerk of Queen Ann's county.

Mr. Chesley reports a bill entitled, an act to exempt from distress for rent, negro slaves or servants which are not bona fide the property of the person liable to such rent.

Mr. W. Davall reports a bill entitled, an act for the relief of Thomas Barnes and Susannah Barnes, of Montgomery county; which was twice read by special order, passed and sent to the senate.