

Mr. Millar reports a bill entitled, an act to authorise John F. Gray, of Charles county, to receive one sixth for toll at his mill when the same shall be built.

Mr. Slemaker reports a bill entitled, an act for the support of Philip Webdel, of Worcester county, and Mr. E. B. Duvall reports a bill entitled, an act to repeal the fourth and fifth sections of an act entitled, an act to relieve the people of this state as far as practicable, from the evil arising from the demands made on the banks of this state for gold and silver by brokers, and to prohibit the officers of the several banks from buying and selling bank notes of the banks of this state at a less premium than their nominal value, passed at December session, 1818, chapter 191.

On motion by Mr. Millard, the following message was read:

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, January 2, 1824.

Gentlemen of the Senate—We propose with the concurrence of your honorable body, to proceed on the instant, at 12 o'clock, to the election of directors on the part of the state for the Union Bank of Maryland, the Mechanics Bank of Baltimore, the Commercial and Farmers Bank of Baltimore, the Farmers Bank of Maryland at Annapolis, the Branch of the Farmers Bank at Easton, the Hager's Town Bank, and the Elkton Bank of Maryland. The following gentlemen are put in nomination on the part of this house. For directors of the Union Bank of Maryland, For the Mechanics Bank of Baltimore, For the Commercial and Farmers' Bank of Baltimore, For the Branch of the Farmers' Bank at Easton, For the Hager's Town Bank, For the Elkton Bank of Maryland,

are appointed by this house to join such gentlemen as may be named by you to count the ballots and report thereon.

Mr. W. Stewart presents a petition from Benjamin West, and Mr. Purnell presents a petition from Ezekiel Thompson, a revolutionary soldier; referred to the committee on pensions and revolutionary claims.

Mr. Bruce presents a petition counter to one praying for a repeal of the law incorporating the town of Cumberland; referred to the committee on the petition to which it is counter.

Mr. Johnson reports a bill entitled, an act to authorise the levy court of Baltimore county, to levy a sum of money to build a bridge over north east river in said county.

Mr. Kemp presents a petition from sundry citizens of Frederick Town, in Frederick county, praying for a lottery to aid the members of the Lutheran Church in procuring a suitable building for the Sunday school for the education of poor children, for the purchase of a burial ground, and to aid in the expense of the house for public worship; referred to Messrs. Kemp, Turbutt and Fisher.

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

WHEREAS, a Resolution was passed at the December Session of the Legislature 1817, authorizing a revision of the acts of the Assembly of this State, from the end of the year 1799, to the end of the Session of the Legislature of 1817: And whereas, by a Resolution passed at December Session 1818, it was directed that the Acts and Resolutions of that Session should be included in the said revision: And whereas, the said revision has been completed, and an edition of 200 copies, thereof published in five volumes octavo, for the use of the State, and it appearing that the expense of the said edition was \$11,500, averaging \$2,300 per volume: And whereas, Mr. George Shaw has issued proposals for publishing a revised edition of the laws of Maryland from the commencement of the year 1819 to the end of the December Session of the Legislature 1823, and offers to furnish the State with 200 copies for one thousand dollars, which is less by more than one half of the average cost of the edition published by the State: And whereas, it is very desirable and useful, owing to the number of Laws annually passed by the Legislature, to have a compilation and revision of them, at least once in every five years. And whereas, the mode now proposed would be a great saving to the State: Therefore, Resolved, that the Treasurer of the Western Shore be, and he is hereby authorised and directed to subscribe for 200 copies of a revised edition of the Laws of Maryland from the commencement of the year 1819 to the end of the Session of the Legislature 1823, to be comprized in one volume octavo with a copious index, to be published by Mr. George Shaw, of the city of Annapolis; and he is hereby further authorised to pay the said George Shaw, out of any unappropriated money in the Treasury, one thousand dollars, so soon as he shall have delivered to the Clerk of the Council two hundred copies of the said revised edition of the Laws of Maryland. Resolved, that the Governor and Council cause the Laws, authorized to be purchased by the preceding resolution, to be distributed as soon as received, in the following manner, viz: to the Court of Chancery, one copy; to the Chancellor, one copy; to the Court of Appeals of the Western Shore, one copy; to the Court of Appeals of the Western Shore, one copy; to each of the Judges of the Court of Appeals, one copy; to each County Court, one copy; to each Associate Judge, one copy; to each Orphans' Court, one copy; to Baltimore City Court, one copy; to each Judge thereof, one copy; to the Judge of the Land Office for the Eastern Shore, one copy; to the Land Office for the Western Shore, one copy; to the Land Office for the Eastern Shore, one copy; to the Treasurer of the Western Shore, one copy; to the Treasurer of the Eastern Shore, one copy; to the Auditor, one copy; to the Executive, one copy; to the Senate, two copies; to the House of Delegates, ten copies; to the Library of Congress, two copies; to the Secretary of State, one copy;

to each State, one copy; to the Baltimore Library Company, one copy; to the Public Academies in this State, one copy.