

The clerk of the senate delivers the bill for the benefit of Joseph Harris, and the bill for the relief of Samuel Meeds; severally endorsed, "will pass;" ordered to be engrossed. Also a bill entitled, an act to change the religious test required by the constitution and form of government of this state, endorsed, "will pass;" which was read.

On motion by Mr. Nicholson, he obtained leave to withdraw the petition of Mary Meginnis, and the accompanying documents.

Mr. Pitt delivers the following report:

The committee to whom was referred the petition of sundry militia officers in Dorchester county, praying that the Cambridge extra battalion, may be erected into a regiment by the junction of five companies to it, which now belong to the lower regiment, respectfully report, that they have had the same under consideration, and have no doubt but the proposed change would be of advantage, and that the results suggested in the petition aforesaid would take place, but in as much as the petition is not signed by all the officers of the five companies proposed to be united to the Cambridge extra battalion, your committee think it advisable that no further proceedings be taken in it until the next session of the legislature, when the people of the county concerned in such an alteration, will have an opportunity more fully to express their wishes on the subject; they therefore recommend that the petitioners have leave to withdraw their petition.

By order,

ISAAC HINES, Clk.

Which was concurred with.

The supplement to the act entitled, an act to provide for the opening and extension of Pratt street in the city of Baltimore, was read the second time. On motion by Mr. Semmes, the following was added to the same: "And provided also, that no boat or vessel shall be permitted to remain at said wharf more than three whole days at any one time, or for the disposal of any one cargo, unless by permission of the city authorities aforesaid, and no vessel shall ever be permitted to remain there for the purpose of retailing any wares or merchandize whatsoever purchased in the city of Baltimore." The bill was then passed and sent to the senate.

Mr. Pitt reports a bill entitled, an act to prohibit the manumission of slaves by last will and testament, and for other purposes.

Mr. Henderson presents a petition from the commissioners and inhabitants of Charica Town; referred to Messrs Henderson, Kerr and Gerry.

Mr. Norris presents a petition from sundry fishermen at the head of the Chesapeake bay, relative to the inspection of salted fish, referred to Messrs. Norris, Gerry and Steel.

On motion by Mr. Millard the following resolution was read:

*Resolved*, That all proceedings on the part of the state against Benjamin Gaither, late sheriff of Anne Arundel county and his securities shall be stayed provided the said Gaither shall satisfy the treasurer of the western shore or the state agent, that the amount due by him to the state shall be paid on or before the first day of November 1825.

Mr. Loockerman obtained leave to bring in a bill, entitled a supplement to an act, entitled an act for the benefit of the children of Samuel Colston of Talbot county, ordered that Messrs. Loockerman, Lloyd and Spencer report the same.

Mr. Edelin obtained leave to bring in a bill entitled an act, for the benefit of James Hill, of Charles county; ordered that Messrs. Edelin, Miller and Garner report the same.

Mr. Coburn reports a bill entitled an act, respecting damages committed by stock, so far as the same relates to Kent county.

Mr. W. Duvall reports a bill entitled an act, to make public an old road leading from Coalville in Montgomery county, to intersect the public road, leading from Vansville in Prince George's county, at or near the paint chapel in said county; and Mr. Dorsey reports a bill entitled an act, authorising the removal of causes now depending or which may hereafter be depending on the equity side of any of the county courts in this state, to the court of chancery.— The report relative to the sale of the lots of public land in Frederick county, was read the second time and the question put, that the house assent to the resolution therein contained? Determined in the negative.

On motion by Mr. Dorsey, ordered that the several inspectors of tobacco, within this state, be directed to report forthwith to the house of delegates the number of hogsheads of tobacco by them respectively inspected during the year 1823, and the number of hogsheads now remaining in their respective warehouses.

The supplement to the act to regulate the manner of obtaining and altering public roads in this state. The bill authorising and empowering the levy court of Charles county to assess and levy a sum of money for the support and maintenance of Mary Goodrich Martin, of said county; and the supplement to the act, entitled an act, to incorporate the Hibernian society of Baltimore; were read the second time, passed and sent to the senate.

On motion by Mr. Carroll, ordered that the further consideration of the bill relative to the divisional line between Calvert and Anne Arundel counties, be postponed until Tuesday next.

On motion by Mr. Hughes, the following resolution was read, assented to and sent to the senate.

*Resolved*, That whatever balance may be ascertained by the committee of claims to be due to the late Charles C. Maccubbin for his services as assistant clerk to the senate, be paid by the treasurer of the western shore to Mrs. Sarah Brewer, the mother of the deceased, or to her order.

Mr. Carroll presents a petition from Mary Watkins, of Anne Arundel county, praying for support; referred to the committee on similar petitions.

Mr. Weems from the committee on pensions and revolutionary claims, reports on the following petitions; Thomas Chenowith, Sarah Ann Waters, Mary Coyn, Edward Marckland, James