

and Sullivan. The committee of grievances and courts of justice, Messrs. M. Mahon, Merrick, Speed, M. Clean and Wright. The committee of ways and means, Messrs. Maxcy, Worthington, Steele, Duvall, Tingle, Howard and Teackle. The committee on pensions and revolutionary claims, Messrs. Weems, Ireland, Rogerson, Nicholson and Cromwell. The committee on divorces, Messrs. Millard, Farquhar, Tyson, Harris and Hardcastle. The committee on special acts of insolvency, Messrs. Hopper, Chapman, Peach, Eccleston and Price. Committee on the militia, Messrs. Duvall, Howard, Barnes, Lloyd and King.

The speaker laid before the house communications from the treasurer of the western shore relative to the school fund, sinking fund, and funded stock of the United States; which were read. Also communications from the clerk of the court of appeals for the western shore; the clerks of Talbot, Harford, Cecil, Allegany, Frederick, Worcester, Kent, Anne Arundel, Somerset and Montgomery counties; relative to the attendance of judges; which were read and referred to the committee of grievances and courts of justice.

The speaker laid before the house a report from the commissioners appointed relative to the divisional line between Anne Arundel and Calvert counties; which was read.

On motion by Mr. Teackle, the following orders were read and assented to:

Ordered, That the clerk furnish, for the service of the legislature, twelve copies of the laws, and twelve copies of the votes and proceedings of the last session.

Ordered, That all bills, and other papers of a public character, presented to this house, be printed, at the discretion of the speaker, for the use of the legislature.

Ordered That the committee of claims be instructed to receive proposals for a supply of stationary for the service of the legislature, and to contract for the same on the most reasonable terms.

On motion by Mr. Lee, Ordered, That a permanent committee upon roads and canals, consisting of nine members, be appointed by the speaker.

Mr. Teackle presents a petition from sundry inhabitants of Somerset county, praying an alteration of the constitution and form of government in relation to the division of said county into election districts; read and referred to Messrs. Teackle, King and Dennis.

On motion by Mr. Teackle, the following message was read and dissented from:

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, December 8, 1824.

Gentlemen of the Senate,

With a view to the convenient dispatch of public business, in a regular and economical course, we propose to appoint a committee of conference, to consist of three members from this branch, and \_\_\_\_\_ members from your honourable body, to devise the means of reciprocal communications of their respective proceedings, and have therefore appointed, on the part of this house, Messrs. Teackle, Worthington and Wootton.

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

Resolved, That the treasurer of the western shore pay to the several members of the general assembly, and the officers thereof, also to the electors of the president and vice-president of the United States, the amount of the several sums due to them, and for which they obtain certificates from the chairman of the committee of claims.

Mr. Hoffman obtained leave to bring in a bill, entitled, An act to repeal all such parts of the constitution and form of government as relates to the division of Allegany county into eight separate election districts. Ordered, That Messrs Hoffman, M. Mahon and Merrick, report the same.

Mr. Thomas obtained leave to bring in a bill, entitled, An act to authorize Samuel Gilmore, of Cecil county, to record a lease. Ordered, That Messrs. Thomas, Henderson and Ewing, report the same.

On motion by Mr. Jarrett, Ordered That the governor be requested to lay before this house, at as early a day as practicable, the number of days each member of the council has attended in the council chamber, since the second Monday in December last, designating the several adjournments of that body, and the number of days each member attended at each adjournment.

Mr. Howard presents a memorial from sundry inhabitants of Baltimore county, praying an alteration of the law relating to evidences of debt; referred to Messrs. Howard, Tyson and Jarrett.

Mr. Tyson presents a petition from Reuben D. Lucker, of New Jersey, praying a special act of insolvency; read and referred to the committee on that subject.

Mr. Wilson presents a petition from Elizabeth Gingell, of Montgomery county, praying for support; referred to Messrs. Wilson, Lee and Lansdale.

Mr. Tingle obtained leave to bring in a bill, entitled, An additional supplement to an act, entitled, An act to declare and enlarge the powers of the court of chancery, and the county courts as courts of equity. Ordered, That Messrs Tingle, John Edelen and M. Mahon, report the same.

On motion by Mr. Teackle, Ordered, That a committee, to consist of seven members, be appointed by the chair to enquire into the expediency of amending the civil practice as relating to the confinement of our fellow citizens in the common goals of this state. Ordered, That Messrs. Teackle, Howard, M. Clean, Norris, Thomas, Beckett and Wilson, be the said committee.

Mr. M. Mahon obtained leave to bring in a bill, entitled, An act defining the civil jurisdiction of single justices of the peace, prescribing the modes of proceeding in the cases in which such jurisdiction is given, and repealing the acts heretofore passed relative to the recovery of small debts out of court before a single magistrate. Ordered, That Messrs. M. Mahon, Merrick, Tyson, Tingle and Dennis, report the same.

Mr. Worthington obtained leave to bring in a bill, entitled, An act to confirm an act to alter the time of the meeting of the general assembly of this state, and for other purposes. Ordered, That Messrs. Worthington, Merrick and Edelen, report the same.

On motion by Mr. Barnes, Ordered, That the treasurer of the western shore report to this house the amount of money received by him from the inspectors of tobacco in the city of Baltimore, under the law of the last session of the legislature of Maryland, appointing state inspectors of tobacco.

Mr. Howard presents a petition from Jacob Ayres, praying a special act of insolvency, referred to the committee on that subject.