

SATURDAY, January 22, 1825.

The house met. Present the same members as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read. The bill for the more speedy administration of justice in the first judicial district, and the bill to limit the number of justices of the peace in the several counties in this state, were sent to the senate.

Mr. Shower reports a bill, entitled, A supplement to an act, entitled, An act to regulate lotteries.

Mr. Grubb presents a petition from sundry inhabitants of Cecil county, praying that no compensation may be made for negroes convicted of capital crimes; referred to the committee on similar subjects.

Mr. Beall obtained leave to bring in a bill, entitled, An act to apportion the members of the levy court so as to secure to each election district of the respective counties, a member therein. Ordered, That Messrs. Beall, Hawkins, Thomas, Parran and Ireland, report the same.

On motion by Mr. Tyson, Ordered, That the bill relative to justices of the peace in the city of Baltimore, be recommitted.

Mr. Keyner obtained leave to bring in a bill, entitled, An act to establish magistrates courts in the several counties throughout this state. Ordered, That Messrs. Keyner, Barnes and Gauer, report the same.

The report in favour of David Middleton was read the second time, the resolution assented to, and sent to the senate.

Mr. Chapman presents a petition from sundry inhabitants of Charles county, praying that the August term of Charles county court may be changed; referred to the committee appointed on the same subject.

The bill to enable purchasers more speedily to obtain possession of lands and premises sold by sheriffs in this state, was according to the order of the day, read the second time.

Mr. Kilgour moved to refer the same to the 1st June? Determined in the negative.

On motion by Mr. Merrick, the words "at sheriff's sale" were stricken out.

Mr. Tingle moved to recommit the same? Resolved in the affirmative.

On motion by Mr. Teackle, the bill to alleviate the pressure of pecuniary distress, and to provide for the amelioration and progressive improvement of this state, was referred to the next general assembly.

Mr. Speed reports a bill, entitled, An act giving compulsory process after summons to procure the attendance of witnesses in causes and other proceedings in the high court of chancery. Ordered to have a second reading on Tuesday next.

Mr. Steele reports a bill, entitled, A further additional supplement to an act, entitled, An act for the recovery of small debts out of court, and to repeal the acts of assembly therein mentioned.

Mr. Speed reports a bill, entitled, An act respecting writs of error, the removal of causes for trial and giving appeal in certain cases. Ordered to have a second reading on Monday next.

Mr. Grubb obtained leave to bring in a bill, entitled, A supplement to an act, entitled, An act to incorporate the village of Port Deposit in Cecil county. Ordered, That Messrs. Grubb, Thomas and Henderson, report the same.

On motion by Mr. Ireland, Mr. Lee was appointed on the committee on pensions and revolutionary claims in the place of Mr. Weems, who is indisposed.

Mr. M-Clean obtained leave to bring in a bill, entitled, An act relating to the trustees of the poor of Kent county. Ordered, That Messrs. M-Clean, Harris and Ireland, report the same.

Mr. Beckett presents a petition from Elizabeth Bowen, praying for support; referred to the committee on the same subject.

Mr. Barnes presents a petition from the bar of Frederick county court, praying an alteration in the terms of Frederick county court; referred to Messrs. Barnes, Cromwell, Faquhar, M-Mahon and Merrick. And a memorial from sundry inhabitants of Frederick county, praying for the extension of the jurisdiction of magistrates; referred to the committee appointed to bring in a bill on that subject.

Mr. Millard obtained leave to withdraw the report on the petition of Elizabeth Fish.

The clerk of the senate returns the bill, ceding to the United States the jurisdiction of the state of Maryland, in, to and over certain lands on Thomas's Point and Pool's Island; the bill to repeal an act passed at December session, 1823, chapter 15; the bill for the benefit of Thomas Lynch and Barnover Kean; the bill for the benefit of Michael Lynch; the bill requiring the judges of the county courts of the fourth judicial district of this state, to set apart certain days for the transaction of chancery business in said courts; the bill for the relief of John C. King, and the bill for the relief of Reuben D. Tucker, severally endorsed "will pass." And the bills ordered to be engrossed. Also the supplement to an act relating to the trial of causes in Baltimore county court, endorsed "will pass with the proposed amendment;" which amendments were read. And a resolution in favour of John Carter, of Prince-George's county, endorsed "assented to;" which was read.

Mr. Beckett presents a memorial from William R. Sewell, of Calvert county, praying the court of chancery may have jurisdiction over a certain case; referred to Messrs. Beckett, Parran and Dalrymple.

Mr. Henderson presents a petition from Richard Lockwood, of Cecil county, praying commissioners may be appointed to divide certain land; referred to Messrs. Henderson, Merrick and M-Mahon.

Mr. Turner presents a petition from sundry persons in Baltimore county, praying that a law may pass to preserve the breed of fish by sheeting mill seins, on the Great Falls of Gun Powder; referred to Messrs. Turner, Price, Shower, Worthington and Jarrett.

Mr. Turner delivers the following report:

The committee to whom was referred the petition of William Merryman, praying that a law may pass authorising the disposition of certain shares in the several banks of Baltimore, for the relief of his infant children, beg leave to report, that after the maturest reflection on the subject, are of opinion, that it would be inexpedient to legislate on the subject, &c.

Which was read.

Mr. Beall obtained leave to bring in a bill, entitled, An act to alter the manner of filling up vacancies in the board of commissioners for the tax in the several counties of this state. Ordered, That Messrs. Beall, Lee and Wilson, report the same.