

Mr. Hooper reports a bill, entitled, An act for the benefit of the Salisbury Academy.

Mr. Beckett reports a bill, entitled, An act to empower the court of chancery to have jurisdiction in a certain case

Mr. Millard reports a bill, entitled An act for the relief of Eliza Fish of Cecil county.

Mr. Henderson reports a bill, entitled, A supplement to an act, entitled, An act to authorise Hannah A Hayes, guardian of the minor children of Stephen Hayes, late of Cecil county, deceased, to sell and convey all the right, title and interest, of the said minor children, to certain real and personal estate therein mentioned.

Mr. Barnes presents a petition from sundry inhabitants of Frederick county, praying that an additional election district may be laid off in said county; referred to Messrs. Barnes, Kemp and Farquhar.

The additional supplement to the act, entitled, An act to establish the line between Frederick and Washington counties, passed at November session 1810, chapter 6, was read the second time, passed, and sent to the senate

On motion by Mr. Speed, the question was put, That the bill to increase the delegation of the city of Baltimore, and the bill to change the number of members from each county, have a second reading on the 10th February? Determined in the negative

The question was then put on the 3d February? Determined in the negative.

The question was then put on Thursday next? Resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Beall obtained leave to withdraw the leave obtained by him to bring in a bill relative to filling up vacancies in the board of commissioners of the tax.

Mr Maxcy from the committee of ways and means, delivers a report; which was read.

Mr Kemp delivers the following report:

The committee of claims, to whom was referred the memorial of Philemon B Hopper, agent for the eastern shore, and the documents accompanying the same, praying to be allowed commission on monies paid into the eastern shore treasury by state debtors, and further, that the said debtors be allowed full credit on the books of the eastern shore treasury, for all monies paid by them to the agent, and by said agent into the treasury, except his commission thereon, beg leave to report, That upon the first question submitted to their consideration, as to the amount of commission the agent is rightfully entitled to upon monies collected and paid thro' his exertions into the treasury by state debtors, there appears to be much doubt and uncertainty, from the vague and unsatisfactory testimony afforded them. Your committee find it therefore difficult to come to any accurate conclusion upon this subject. They would, however, state from the best examination they have been able to give this subject, and from the letters and certificates before them, it appears to your committee, that of the debts due to the state, and under the control and management of the agent, there were paid into the eastern shore treasury, by the state debtors themselves, in consequence of the agent's attention and exertions, the sum of \$3,578 67 cents, and upon which it seems the treasurer has refused to allow him commission, on the ground that he had not satisfied him the money was paid in consequence of his attention and exertions as required by the resolution of the last session, but which your committee are of opinion the agent is entitled to his commission of 10 per cent. upon, amounting to the sum of \$357 86 cents. Your committee beg leave further to report, that upon the second subject submitted to their consideration relative to the credits which state debtors ought to have upon the treasury books of the eastern shore, who have settled their accounts with the agent, beg leave to state, that it appears to your committee, in many cases where the state debtors have paid the agent, he has retained his commission, and paid the balance of the debt into the treasury, and the treasurer in such cases has only given credit to such debtors for the sum received by him, leaving a balance standing against them on the books, the amount retained by the agent for his commission. Your committee think, the agent has a right to retain his commission upon monies received by him, and that the state debtors ought to have credit on the books of the eastern shore treasury for the several amounts retained by the agent for commission, so as to settle their accounts on the said books, as they have been finally settled with the agent. They therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the treasurer of the eastern shore pay to Philemon B Hopper, state's agent, or order, the sum of three hundred fifty seven dollars and eighty six cents, being the amount of his commission upon money paid into the treasury by state debtors to March 1824. And be it further resolved, That the said treasurer is hereby authorised and directed, to pass to the credit of state debtors the several amounts retained by the state's agent for his commission upon claims paid him by said debtors, so as to settle the said accounts on the treasury books. All which is respectfully submitted.

By order,

J COCKEY, Jr. Clk.

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 of the tax in the several counties of this state. Ordered, That Messrs. Beall, Farquhar, Gough, Dennis and John Edelen, report the same.

Mr. Farquhar presents a petition from sundry inhabitants of Frederick county, praying for the sale of a lot of ground; referred to Messrs. Farquhar, Barnes and Cromwell.

Mr Millard reports a bill, entitled, An act for the relief of Mary Snowden of Cecil county.

Mr. Kemp presents eighteen petitions from inhabitants of Frederick county, praying for additional jurisdiction to magistrates; referred to the committee on similar petitions.

Mr. Barnes obtained leave to bring in a bill, entitled, An additional supplement to the act, entitled, An act to incorporate the trustees of the Westminster General Meeting House in Frederick county. Ordered, That Messrs. Barnes, Cromwell and Kemp, report the same.

Mr. Barnes reports said bill.

The supplement to an act to authorise Hannah A Hayes, guardian of the minor children of Stephen Hayes, late of Cecil county, deceased, to sell and convey all the right, title and interest, of the said minor children, to certain real and personal estate therein mentioned, was read the second time, by special order, passed, and sent to the senate.

On motion by Mr. Dalrymple, Ordered, That Mr Beckett be on the committee relative to the divi