

and shall order the electors to meet in each state, and choose, by ballot, one of the two persons having the greatest number of district votes to be president, and the one of the two persons mentioned in the proclamation of the president of the senate as having the greatest number of votes of the electoral districts, who shall have the greatest number of votes of the electors, shall be president; but if the said two persons have an equal number of votes of the electors, then the one of the two, who had the greatest number of votes of the electoral districts, shall be president.—Also, that the person having the greatest number of votes of the electoral districts for vice president, shall be the vice president, if such numbers be a majority of the whole number of electoral district votes; And if no person have a majority, then from the two highest numbers on the list the senate shall choose the vice-president.

And whereas, this general assembly think it highly expedient, that the election of the president should not be made by the house of representatives; therefore Resolved by the general assembly of Maryland, that they do approve of said proposition, and request the senators and representatives in congress of the state of Maryland, to vote for and support said proposition.

Resolved, That his excellency the governor be requested to transmit a copy of the foregoing preamble and resolutions to each of our senators and representatives in congress, and also a copy to the governors of all the other states in the union, requesting them to lay the same before their respective legislatures, and ask their concurrence.

Mr Maxcy presents a petition from Lydia Tydings for support; referred to the committee on similar petitions.

Mr. Gantt presents a petition from John Smith, referred to the committee on pensions and revolutionary claims.

Mr Jarrett presents a petition from the president and directors of the Susquehanna Bridge, referred to Messrs. Jarrett, Howard and Merrick.

Mr Gantt obtained leave to bring in a bill, entitled, An act to authorise Seth Sweetser of Anne Arundel county, to build a bridge over the Patapsco river where his ferry is now kept. Ordered, That Messrs. Gantt, Maxcy and Howard, report the same.

Mr Worthington reports a bill, entitled, An act to record and make valid the deed therein mentioned. The reports in favour of Samuel Davis, William Johnson, Ann Coward and John Gomer, were read the second time, and the resolutions assented to.

Mr. Grubb reports a bill, entitled, A supplement to an act, entitled, An act to incorporate the village of Port Deposit, in Cecil county which was twice read by special order, and will pass.

The report in favour of Daniel and Walter Jenifer, was read the second time, and the resolution therein contained assented to.

The bill relating to the turnpike roads within the city of Baltimore, was read the second time and will pass.

On motion by Mr. Teackle, Ordered, That the bill to amend the jurisdiction of justices of the peace relating to the power of authorising arrest and commitment in certain civil cases, have a second reading on the 9th inst.

Mr. Chapman delivers the following report:

The committee to whom was referred the petition of Matthew Moore of Charles county, praying that the register of the land office may be authorised to receive and record a certificate and plat of a tract of land called Long Chace, beg leave to report, that they have considered the matter set forth in the petition and examined the circumstances upon which the petitioner's application is founded, and beg leave to report the following resolution:

Resolved, That the register of the land office for the western shore be, and he is hereby authorised and required, to receive and record a certificate and plat of a tract of land lying and being in Charles county, called Long Chace, containing six acres and two roods, surveyed the sixth day of August 1823; Provided, That nothing contained in this resolution, shall affect the validity of any warrant which may have issued from the land office for the said land, subsequent to the 19th of July, 1823, and which may have been returned in the time prescribed by law.

By order,

I HINES, Clk.

On motion by Mr. Merrick, Ordered, That the bill from the senate relative to the western limits of the state, be referred to the committee to whom was referred the report of the commissioners on the same subject.

On motion by Mr. Turner, Leave given to bring in a bill, entitled, an act to repeal all such parts of an act, entitled, An act for the valuation of real and personal property in the several counties of this state, as relate to the appointment of commissioners of the tax of Baltimore county. Ordered, That Messrs. Turner, Price and Hope, report the same.

Mr Speed reports a bill, entitled, An act for the relief of Charles Carroll, of Carrollton. Ordered, That the same have a second reading on the 8th instant.

On motion by Mr. Worthington, Ordered, That the supplement to an act to regulate the inspection of tobacco, have a second reading on the 9th instant.

On motion by Mr. Speed, Ordered, That the bill for the more speedy foreclosure of mortgages, have a second reading on the 7th instant.

The house adjourns until Monday morning 9 o'clock.

MONDAY, February 7, 1825.

The house met. Present the same members as on Saturday, except the honourable William H. Marriot, Esq. speaker, who is confined by indisposition, and Mr. Estep, who obtained leave of absence.

The house proceeded to elect a speaker pro tem. the ballots being deposited in the ballot box, on examination thereof it appeared that John Edelen, Esq. was elected, who took the chair. The proceedings of Saturday were read.