

have a second reading this evening; that the bill respecting writs of error and giving appeal have a second reading on Tuesday; and that the bill for the more speedy foreclosure of mortgages have a second reading on Wednesday.

On motion by Mr. Howard, Ordered, That it shall be the duty of the clerk forthwith to arrange the public bills in the order in which they were reported as to date; that the speaker present them to the house in that order, (giving a preference to revenue bills,) and that all bills so presented, shall be forthwith acted upon by the house, or lose their preference, and that all the orders of the day be and the same are hereby rescinded.

Mr. Tyson presents a petition from sundry citizens of Baltimore, praying for the establishment of a system of public schools in said city; referred to the committee on the same subject.

Mr. R. C. Edelen presents a petition from Mildred Thompson, and Mr. Dalrymple presents a petition from William Gardner, each praying for support; referred to the committee on similar petitions.

Mr. Dalrymple presents a petition from sundry inhabitants of Calvert county, praying for a road law, and a petition counter thereto; referred to Messrs. Dalrymple, Beckett and Parian.

Mr. Speed presents a petition from Lewis Duvall, relative to the assessment of taxes on certain lands in the vicinity of Annapolis; referred to the committee, who obtained leave to bring in a bill on the same subject.

Mr. Ireland presents a petition from sundry citizens of Kent county, for the support of John Ryland; referred to the committee on similar subjects.

Mr. Dennis presents a petition from Elizabeth Handy, praying further time to record certain papers; referred to Messrs. Dennis, King and Jones.

Mr. Brown presents a petition from sundry citizens of the lower district of Caroline county, praying that the place of holding the election may be changed, and a petition counter thereto; referred to Messrs. Brown, Boon and Hardcastle.

Mr. Grubb, delivers the following report:

The committee to whom was referred the petitions of sundry inhabitants of Cecil county, praying for the passage of an act, to authorize the levy court of said county to levy a sum of money to build a bridge across the east branch of North East Creek, or the road leading from Elkton to Port Deposit in said county, by leave to report, that they have had the same under consideration, and are well aware of the necessity of having a bridge over said creek, at the place described, but are of opinion that it does not need the sanction of the legislature, in as much as the act of assembly passed November session 1794, chapter 53, authorises the levy court to assess and levy a sum of money for the purpose of erecting a bridge or bridges, not exceeding one hundred pound current money in any one year, which sum your committee deem altogether sufficient for the purposes prayed for.

By order,

ISAAC HINES, Clk.

Which was twice read, and concurred with.

Mr. Norris reports a bill, entitled, An act to alter and change the name of John Ward, of Harford county, to John Ward Smith.

The supplement to an act, entitled, An act against excessive usury, was read the second time.

On motion by Mr. Jones, the question was put, That the following be added to the same: "And be it enacted, That nothing contained in this act shall be construed to extend or have operation beyond the limits of the city of Baltimore?" Determined in the negative.

The question was then put, Shall the said bill pass? Determined in the negative, and the bill returned to the senate.

The supplement to the act to establish state warehouses for the inspection of tobacco, in the city of Baltimore, was read a second time.

On motion by Mr. Wootton, That the first clause be so amended, as that the commissioners to contract should not be residents of the city of Baltimore. Mr. Lee moved so to amend it to make it the duty of the governor and council to contract. When Mr. Beall moved to refer the whole to the 1st of June next.

After some time spent in discussing the same,
The house adjourns until 6 o'clock P. M.

SIX O'CLOCK P. M.

The house met. The house adjourns until to-morrow morning 9 o'clock.

SATURDAY, February 12, 1825.

The house met. The honourable William H. Marriott, Esq. resumes the chair. The proceedings of yesterday were read.

Mr. Millard reports a bill, entitled, An act for the relief of Margaret Parke, of Baltimore county.

Mr. Maxcy reports a bill, entitled, An act relative to licenses to retailers of spirituous liquors, licenses to retail spirituous liquors at horse races and licenses to hawkers and peddlars.

Mr. Millard reports a bill, entitled, An act for the relief of Rebecca Whitely, of Queen Anne's county.

Mr. Speed reports a bill, entitled, An act relative to the assessment of taxes on certain lands lying in the vicinity of Annapolis.

Mr. Teackle reports a bill, entitled, An act to alter and repeal such parts of the constitution and form of government, as relate to the division of Somerset county into election districts.

Mr. Garner reports a bill, entitled, An act to provide for the education of poor children in this state.

Mr. Montgomery reports a supplement to an act, entitled, An act to reduce into one the several acts of assembly respecting elections and to regulate such elections so far as the same relates to electing trustees of the poor for Harford county.

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

Whereas numerous individual injuries have occurred in this state from the elopement of slaves; and whereas no sufficient means have been furnished to the citizens of this state, to recover the possession of such slaves, and therefore the provision of the constitution of the national government on this subject is rendered unavailing; and as outrages of the most enormous character have been perpetrated on men

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