

of residence, and extending to him the same relief that he would have been entitled to had he been a citizen of Maryland. He prays further, that a supplement may be passed, permitting him to remain in gaol, until his case can be heard, provided he shall not be able to give the necessary security for his appearance. The committee think the object of his prayer is granted by the existing laws, and that he is permitted and compelled to remain in gaol, or in custody of the sheriff, if he does not give the necessary security; they therefore recommend that he have leave to withdraw his petition.

By order,

I. HINES, Clk.

The committee on special acts of insolvency, to whom was referred the petition of Archibald Daugherty of the city of Baltimore, for a special act of insolvency, ask leave to report—That the petitioner states, that upon his application to the commissioners of insolvent debtors for the city and county of Baltimore, he was unable to account for fifteen hundred dollars, which had been received by him for the sale of land, and the commissioners therefore reported unfavourable to the court; he further states, that a bill of discovery is now pending in chancery to obtain a disclosure and sale of property alleged to be his. Your committee are of opinion, that to report a special act in his favour would be forestalling the decision of the chancery court, and exercising a control over the operations of the judiciary, which would encroach upon the independence of the court, and jeopardise the rights of creditors, they therefore recommend that he have leave to withdraw his petition.

By order,

I. HINES, Clk.

The committee on special acts of insolvency ask leave to report upon the petition of R. B. Beall, of the city of Baltimore, that it appears to them that the petitioner was released by the commissioners of insolvent debtors, who reported favourably to the court upon his application; that he gave bond to appear before the court to take the oaths prescribed by law to be taken by insolvent debtors, but did not appear according to the condition of his bond. Your committee think that his application should be made to the judges of Baltimore county court, who are authorised to grant him the relief which he prays; they therefore recommend that he have leave to withdraw his petition.

By order,

I. HINES, Clk.

Which were read.

The clerk of the senate returns the bill to repeal an act to provide for the appointment of commissioners for the regulation and improvement of the Town of Cumberland, in Allegany county, and to incorporate the same, together with the supplements thereto, and for other purposes, endorsed "will pass." Ordered to be engrossed. The bill to repeal all such parts of the 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 for Baltimore and Harford counties, endorsed "will not pass;" and the bill for the relief of Jas. McIntire, a convict prisoner in the gaol of Allegany county, severally endorsed "will pass." Ordered to be engrossed. The further supplement to the act to establish pilots, endorsed "will not pass." Also the supplement to the act, entitled, An act relating to justices of the peace of Baltimore, endorsed "will pass with the proposed amendments;" which amendments were read. And delivers a bill, entitled, An act to authorise aliens to purchase and hold real property within this state, endorsed "will pass;" which was read. And returns the resolution relative to debts due to the state; the resolutions in favour of David Schnebly, Thomas Stallings, Alexander Nesbit; the resolution relative to repairs to the senate chamber and house of delegates, and the resolution relative to the commissioners to settle the western bounds, severally endorsed "assented to." And the following message:

BY THE SENATE, Feb 22, 1825.

Gentlemen of the House of Delegates,

We have received your message proposing to invite his excellency the governor to attend in the senate chamber on Wednesday next at 5 o'clock, to sign such of the engrossed bills as may be prepared for his signature, and concur therein. We have appointed Messrs. Tilghman and Miller, on the part of the senate, to join the gentlemen named by you to wait on his excellency.

By order,

WM. KILTY, Clk.

Which was read.

The resolution relative to the several clerks, was sent to the senate.

Mr. Millard reports a bill, entitled, An act to divorce Hannah Boudet, of the city of Baltimore.

Mr. Maxcy reports a bill, entitled, An act relating to the treasurers of the western and eastern shores of Maryland; which was twice read by special order, passed, and sent to the senate.

The bill relative to the speedy foreclosure of mortgages, was read the second time.

On motion by Mr. Teackle, That the whole of the bill be stricken out for the purpose of inserting the following:

An act to provide an adequate supply of circulating medium, and to improve the resources of this state. Sec. 1 Be it enacted by the general assembly of Maryland, that certificates of stock, bearing interest at the rate of 3 per centum, per annum, payable quarterly, not exceeding 5 dollars per capita of the white population of this state, shall be issued under the direction and control of a board of finance, or of public works, to consist of 7 commissioners to be appointed by ballot, 5 on the part of the house of delegates and 2 on the part of the senate, and commissioned by the executive; and that the like commission shall be annually repeated, not exceeding 10 successive years, provided, however, that not less than 80 dollars shall be received for 100 dollars of the said stock, and that the same, and every part thereof, shall be redeemable at the pleasure of the legislature. Sec. 2 And be it enacted, That the proceeds of all revenues resulting from the provisions of this act, shall be distributed for the promotion of various sources of improvement, or disbursed in loans on the security of real estate, under the direction and control of the said board or boards, according to the ratio above prescribed, and the said board or boards are hereby authorised and required, to apply the avails of all tolls, dividends and profits, and the interest arising from all loans, over and above the means necessary to discharge the interest on the said stock, towards the reduction, and final redemption of the public debt to be created by this act.

Mr. Merrick asked if the motion be in order? The speaker declared the same to be in order. Mr.

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