

Mr. Forwood delivers a petition from the heirs of John Thomas, praying for the sale of the real estate of said Thomas; which was read and referred to Messrs. Forwood, Sanders and H. Hall.

Mr. Forwood delivers a petition from sundry inhabitants of Harford county, praying that one person from each election district in said county, may be appointed commissioners, with power to make void all public roads which they may deem necessary, and to make such alterations in other roads as they may find convenient or necessary; which was read and referred to Messrs. Forwood, Sanders, Street, H. Hall and Harryman.

Mr. Forwood delivers a petition from George W. Sankey, of Harford county, praying a special act of insolvency; which was read and referred to Messrs. Forwood, H. Hall and Street.

The house proceeded to ballot for a committee to inspect and examine the returns of elections, and to report whether they have been made agreeably to the constitution and form of government; the ballots being deposited in the ballot box, the gentlemen named to strike retired, and after some time returned, and reported that Messrs. T. B. Hall, Tyler, Groome, Street and Quinton, were elected. *Ordered*, That they have power to send for persons, papers and records.

The clerk of the senate delivers the following message:

BY THE SENATE, Nov. 5, 1811.

*Gentlemen of the House of Delegates,*

WE propose that some person be immediately employed to print the laws, and the votes and proceedings of the General Assembly, and to perform such other services as have usually been performed by the printer employed by the state, or may be required by the legislature, or either branch thereof or by the governor and council.

The senate will be disposed, if it should meet the approbation of the house of delegates, to ascertain the person so to be engaged by joint ballot; a resolution may then be passed in conformity with the result of that ballot.

By order,

T. ROGERS, Clk.

Which was read.

On motion by Mr. Donaldson, *Ordered*, That Messrs Donaldson and Clement Dorsey, wait upon his excellency the governor, and inform him that this house having met, are ready to proceed to public business and to receive any communications he may think proper to lay before them.

On motion by Mr. Swearingen, *Ordered*, That this house sit this session, for the despatch of public business, from nine o'clock in the morning till three o'clock in the evening.

Mr. Forwood delivers a petition from Alexander Rigdon, of Harford county, praying that a jury may be appointed to ascertain the damages sustained by a road passing through his land;