

ter of Wills for Harford county, as mentioned in your message of yesterday; no person is put in nomination in addition to the gentlemen named by you. We have appointed Messrs. Davis and Brown to join the gentlemen named by you to count the ballots.

By order,

THOS. ROGERS, Clk.

Which were severally read.

The house proceeded to ballot for a person to be recommended to the governor to be commissioned register of wills for Harford county; the ballots being deposited in the ballot box, the gentlemen named to strike retired, and after some time returned and reported that Samuel Richardson was elected.

*Whereupon Resolved*, That Samuel Richardson be, and he is hereby recommended to the Governor to be commissioned as register of wills for Harford county.

The bill entitled, an act to authorise and direct the sheriff of Montgomery county to execute a deed or deeds therein mentioned; the bill entitled, an act to ratify the title of Henry Banning and Anthony Banning in and to certain lots of ground in the town of Oxford. The bill entitled, an act to lay out and open a road in Talbot county. The bill entitled, an act for the relief of Saml. W. Beck, of Prince George's county. The bill entitled, an act authorising Richard Ruff of Harford county to make sale of the land therein mentioned. The bill entitled, an act for the relief and benefit of Sarah Stinchcomb; and the bill entitled, an act for the benefit of Franklin Lee Ridgely and Richard Greenbury Ridgely, minors, were severally read the second time, passed and sent to the senate.

Mr. Callis delivers a bill entitled, an act for the relief of Elizabeth Peters of Prince Georges county. Mr. Potts a bill entitled, an act to enlarge the powers of the orphans' courts of the several counties of this state. Mr. Young a bill entitled, an act directing the clerks of the county courts & the sheriffs of the several counties of this state to transmit annually, to the clerk of the house of delegates, a statement of all the public monies paid by them to the treasurers of their respective shores. Mr. Wilson a bill entitled, an act to sell part of the real estate of Nicholas Carroll, late of the city of Annapolis, deceased. Mr. Marriott a bill entitled, an act annulling the marriage of Elisha Smothers and Alley Smothers, and Mr. Hambleton a bill entitled, an act for the benefit and relief of William Harrison of Jas. of Talbot county; which were severally read.

The clerk of the senate delivers the bill entitled a supplement to the act entitled an act to incorporate a company for the purpose of cutting and making a canal between the river Delaware and Chesapeake bay, endorsed will pass with the proposed amendment; which amendment was read, assented to, and the bill ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. L. Duvall from the committee delivers the following report:

The committee to whom was referred the petition of John Daniel Jaquett, report, that the same has been under consideration, and on examination in the auditor's office they find that Daniel Jaquett was on the 24th day of October, 1784, paid in depreciation certificates the balance of his pay up to the 26th day of July, 1779, as a serjeant, and states him to have served three years, at which time he was discharged. The committee beg leave further to state, that although the petition is presented in the name of John Daniel Jaquett, they are of opinion that it is the same person Daniel Jaquett that appears on the books of the auditor; a certificate herewith presented from the auditor, and a letter from John Daniel Jaquett to James Williams, will justify the committee in such opinion, and the prayer of the petitioner appearing reasonable, submit the following resolution for the consideration of the legislature:

*Resolved*, That the treasurer of the Western Shore be, and he is hereby authorized and directed to pay to John Daniel Jaquett, an old revolutionary soldier, or to his order, annually in quarterly payments, a sum of money equal to the half pay of a serjeant.

By order,

WILLIAM WICKES, Clk.

Which was read.

Mr. Lecompte from the committee delivers the following report:

The committee to whom was referred the petition of James Steele, John Cropper and others, of Dorchester county, beg leave to report, that they have taken the same into consideration, and are of opinion, that should any proprietor of the Nantikoke Indian lands, as ascertained and bounded by an act of assembly passed at September session, seventeen hundred and four, holding and claiming the same under a title derived from the state of Maryland, be ejected in virtue of a title derived from the Nantikoke Indians, the state of Maryland would in equity and good conscience be bound to make some compensation for the injury and loss which such proprietor might sustain in consequence of such ejection; they therefore recommend the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the governor and council be and they are hereby authorised and directed, should they be of opinion that the interest of the state requires it, to employ counsel to defend the right of the proprietors to the Nantikoke Indian lands, as ascertained and bounded by an act of assembly, passed at September session, seventeen hundred and four, in case any action or suit has been, or may hereafter be instituted to eject them or either of them.

By order,

JOHN STEVENS, Junr. Clk.

Which was read.

The bill authorising the levy court of Baltimore county to assess and levy a sum of money to build a bridge over the White Marsh Run, was read the second time, passed and sent to the senate.

On motion by Mr. Parnham, the question was put that the house adjourn until to-morrow morning nine o'clock. Determined in the negative.

On motion by Mr. Quinton, the question was put that the house adjourn until this evening at five o'clock. Resolved in the affirmative, and the house adjourned.