

On motion by Mr. Bayly, leave given to bring in a bill to enlarge the powers of the county courts of the several counties of this state. *Ordered*, That Messrs. Bayly, Potts and Wilson be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

Mr. Wilson delivers a bill entitled, an act for the relief of Andrew Porter Evans, a purchaser of confiscated property; which was read.

Mr. Caldwell from the committee, delivers the following report:

The committee to whom was referred the petition of Thomas Helsby of Talbot county, have taken the same into consideration, and are of opinion that the county court is by the insolvent laws invested with full power to grant the relief prayed for by the petitioner, and that in such cases already provided for by law, it would be improper for the Legislature to interfere by passing a special act. The committee therefore recommend that the petitioner have leave to withdraw his petition.

By order,

JNO. STEVENS, Junr. Clk.

Which was read.

The house adjourns until this evening 5 o'clock.

### POST MERIDIAN, 5 o'clock.

The house met.

On motion by Mr. Kilgour, leave given to bring in a bill entitled, an act to incorporate a company to make a turnpike road from the line of the District of Columbia, where it crosses the post road leading from George town, to Frederick town, through Montgomery and Frederick counties, to Frederick town. *Ordered*, that Messrs. Kilgour, Davis and Plater be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

Mr. Harryman delivers a petition from the president and managers of the Fall's turnpike company, praying that a law may pass to confirm the said road, as now located and completed; which was read and referred to Messrs. Harryman, Warner and Stansbury.

The report on the petition of the trustees of the poor of Queen Ann's county, and the report on the petition of sundry inhabitants of Somerset and Worcester counties, relative to the roads in said counties, were severally read the second time and concurred in.

The report on the petition of the trustees and teachers of Baltimore College was read the second time, and the question put that the blank in the resolution be filled up with one thousand. Determined in the negative.

The question was then put, that the said blank be filled up with eight hundred. Resolved in the affirmative. The question was then put, that the house concur in the report and assent to the resolution? The yeas and nays being required, appeared as follow:

#### AFFIRMATIVE.

Messrs. Millard, Plater, Causin, C. Hall, Belt, Z. Duvall, Harryman, Warner, Randall, Griffith, Frey, F. M. Hall, Callis, L. Duvall, Wright, Stevens, Davis, Potts, Delaplaine, Sanders, Forwood (of Wm.) Forwood (of Jb.) Potter, Donaldson, Barney, Bowles, Riggs.—27.

#### NEGATIVE.

Messrs. Blackstone, Boyer, Reynolds, Turner, Ford, Banning, Seth, Long, A. E. Jones, Waller, John Stewart, T. N. Williams, Wilson, Handy, Quinton, Bond, Hughlett, McDonald, Wm. Williams, Sprigg, Kilgour, McCulloh, Robinett, Cresap—25.

So it was resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Randall, from the committee, delivers the following report:

The committee to whom was referred the petition of Samuel Moale, have taken the same into their consideration, and find the facts therein stated to be true; they therefore recommend the following resolution.

*Resolved*, That the treasurer of the Western Shore be, and he is hereby authorised and required to pay to Samuel Moale, of Baltimore county, trustee to Mark Alexander, deceased, or his order, the sum of eighty one pounds four shillings and two pence, being the same money heretofore deposited in the Western Shore treasury, by the said Mark Alexander, for the payment of a British debt, which has since been received by the creditors, Christopher Court, and Mildred and Roberts, to whom it was due by due course of law, upon the said Samuel Moale giving bond with security to the state, to be approved of by the said treasurer, to refund the aforesaid sum of money and interest, in case a certificate shall at any time be produced to the treasurer, acknowledging that on the seventeenth day of May, in the year seventeen hundred and eighty one, Mark Alexander paid into the treasury for Christopher Court, the sum of forty eight pounds six shilling and eight pence, and for Mildred and Roberts, thirty two pounds, seventeen shillings and six pence, by virtue of an act of Assembly, passed at October session, seventeen hundred and eighty, entitled, an act for calling out of circulation, the quota of the state of the bills of credit emitted by acts of Assembly, under the old government, and by the resolves of convention.

By order,

JOHN STEVENS, Junr. Clk.

Which was read.

The report on the petition of Robert Leech, was read the second time, concurred in and the resolution therein contained assented to.

The report on the petition of Samuel McConnell of Cecil county, and the report on the petition of Matilda Bruff of the city of Baltimore, were severally read the second time and concurred in.

Mr. Waller from the committee, delivers the following report:

The committee to whom was referred the petition of John Nicholson and Kesiah Nicholson, have taken the same into consideration, and are of opinion, that the parties from their own statement of facts have an equitable title to the lands therein mentioned, and by application to the court of chancery can obtain the legal title; that one of the vendors is still alive, and the heirs of the others not named in the