

The committee to whom was referred the petition of Joshua Tagart, Samuel Hopkins and Thomas Parrott of Talbot county, beg leave to report, that they have taken the same into consideration and are of opinion that the facts therein stated are true; they therefore submit the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That Joshua Tagart, Samuel Hopkins and Thomas Parrott, securities of Samuel Thomas, late sheriff of Talbot county be allowed a stay of execution of one, two and three years, on a judgment obtained against them as securities aforesaid at the May term of Talbot county court, one thousand eight hundred and eleven, for one thousand and ninety two dollars and twenty five cents, on their paying one third of the principal thereof, with six per cent interest thereon in one year from the present date; one third thereof with six per cent interest thereon in two years from the present date, and the remaining third thereof with six per cent interest thereon in three years from the present date: *Provided* that the judgment aforesaid shall continue and be in force, notwithstanding the suspension directed by this resolution, and execution may issue to compel the payment of the instalments and the interest thereon, within twenty days after they shall become due.

By order,

JOHN STEVENS, Jun. Clk.

Which was read the first and second time by special order, concurred in, and the resolution therein contained assented to.

Mr. Callis delivers a petition from sundry inhabitants of Prince George's county, praying that a law may pass to incorporate a company to open and improve a turnpike road from Edward H. Calvert's Old Mill to the district of Columbia, to strike the line of the district at a point nearest to the lower bridge over the Eastern Branch of Potomac; which was read and referred to Messrs. Callis, Stone-street and F. M. Hall.

Mr. Young delivers a bill entitled, a further supplement to the act entitled, an act for the speedy conveyance of public letters and for other purposes; which was read.

The clerk of the senate delivers the bill entitled, an act to authorise William Francis Lewis, former collector of Calvert county to complete his collections, endorsed "will pass." Ordered to be engrossed. The bill entitled, a supplement to an act entitled, an act authorising Elizabeth Luchett of Frederick county to remove certain negroes into the state of Maryland, passed at November session eighteen hundred and eleven, endorsed, will not pass.

And the following message:

BY THE SENATE, May 25, 1813.

*Gentlemen of the House of Delegates,*

We have received your message of the 22d inst. proposing a joint committee of the two branches of the legislature, for the purpose of originating a bill making provision relative to any detachment of militia which may be brought into the public service in consequence of the operations of the enemy. We are of opinion, that some legislative provision ought to be made upon that subject, and are sincerely desirous of co-operation with you in the accomplishment of that object. We, however, think it best to pursue the ordinary course of legislation upon this occasion, more especially as it would conduce to dispatch, and probably tend to accelerate the attainment of our mutual wishes relative to the object of your message.

By order,

THOS. ROGERS, Clk.

Which was read.

On motion by Mr. Young, leave given to bring in a bill entitled, an additional supplement to the act entitled, an act respecting the equity jurisdiction of the county courts.

*Ordered*, that Messrs. Young, Wilson and Bayly be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

Mr. Hambleton delivers a bill entitled, an act for the benefit and relief of William Harrison of James of Talbot county. Which was read the first and second time by special order and passed.

Mr. Francis M. Hall delivers a petition from Thomas Bowie of Prince George's praying that he may be authorised to shut up the old road from Baltimore to the District of Columbia, where it passes through his lands near Bladensburg upon the completion of the turnpike road authorised by an act of the last session; which was read and referred to Messrs. F. M. Hall, Somervell and Callis.

Mr. Young delivers a bill entitled, an additional supplement to the act entitled, an act respecting the equity jurisdiction of the county courts: which was read.

The house proceeded to the order of the day on the bill entitled, an act for the removal of the public records of the state, and of the several counties therein mentioned, and for the adjournment of several of the courts of law in this state. And on motion by Mr. Potts the question was put, that the blank in the first section be filled up with the words, "Frederick town, in Frederick county." Determined in the negative.

On motion by Mr. Dorsey the question was put, that the blank be filled up with the words "such place as the governor and council may direct." Resolved in the affirmative.

On motion by Mr. Kilgour the question was put, that the following words be inserted after the word removed in the first section "when in their opinion the security of the said records, books and papers require it." Determined in the negative.

On motion by Mr. Young the question was put, that the first section of the bill be stricken out for the purpose of inserting the following amendment.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, that the governor and council be, and they are hereby authorised and empowered, if in their judgment any exigency may require it, to remove or cause to be removed, the public records of the state to such place and at such time as in their opinion the safety and security of the said records may require.

*And be it enacted*, that the governor and council be, and they are hereby authorised to procure or cause to be procured, such fit and proper rooms for the reception of the records when so removed as will enable the different officers to prosecute the business of their respective offices.

*And be it enacted*, that the justices of the levy courts of the several counties of this state be, and they are hereby authorised and required, whenever in their judgment it may be deemed necessary, to cause