

On motion of Mr. L. Hollingsworth, leave given to bring in a bill entitled, an act to incorporate a company to make a turnpike road from the city of Baltimore to Havre-de-Grace. Ordered, That Messrs. L. Hollingsworth, Fenwick and Hawkins be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

The bill entitled, an act for the relief of Wm. Patterson, Wm. Smith, Wm. Cooke and others was read the second time, passed and sent to the house of delegates by the clerk.

The bill entitled, an act authorising the sale of the real estate of Ruth Howard deceased, wife of Thomas W. Howard and for other purposes, was read the second time, passed with the proposed amendments, and sent to the house of delegates by the clerk.

*Amendments proposed.*

1st. Strike out from the word "to" in the 12th line of the 1st page to the word "of" in the same line of the same page, and insert "a tenancy by the courtesy."

2nd. Strike out the words "some fund" in the 15th line of the 1st page and insert "such manner as to be."

The bill entitled, a supplement to the act entitled, an act to make a turnpike road from the District of Columbia to the city of Baltimore, was read the second time, passed with the proposed amendment, and sent to the house of delegates by the clerk.

*Amendment proposed.*

Strike out the last section of the bill.

The following message was read, agreed to, and with the bill sent to the house of delegates by the clerk.

BY THE SENATE, Jan. 17, 1814.

*Gentlemen of the House of Delegates,*

The senate returns the bill entitled, an act directing the manner in which justices of the peace shall qualify and for other purposes, and requests that it may be reconsidered by your house. The principal object of this bill is to provide that the qualifications of justices should be matter of record. It is essential that a record should be made of such qualifications to complete the system on which depend the certainty and safety of all titles to real estates. There are moreover, multiplied duties, and highly important official acts devolved on that extensive body of magistracy, certificates of which are daily required, and to be accompanied with a verification that the persons by whom such acts are performed were duly commissioned and sworn.

There remains no evidence among the records of the county, of the qualifications of justices of the peace. The test books in the county courts are frail memorials of their contents; and it is not required by law that even those mere memorandums should comprehend the proof that the oaths of office have been taken by justices as their duty requires. The attention of the House of Delegates is therefore again invited to a consideration of the provisions of this bill.

By order,

THOS. ROGERS, Clk.

The following message was read, agreed to, and sent to the house of delegates by the clerk.

BY THE SENATE, Jan. 17, 1814.

*Gentlemen of the House of Delegates,*

We have received your message of the 4th instant, proposing to appoint on this day directors in the several banks on the part of the state, by joint ballot, and are agreed forthwith to proceed to the election. We have nominated, as directors for the Union Bank of Maryland, John E. Howard and Charles Carroll of Carrollton; for the Mechanic's Bank of Baltimore, Samuel Sterrett and Cornelius Comegys, for the Commercial and Farmers' Bank of Baltimore, James Hindman; for the Farmers' Bank of Maryland at Annapolis, Thomas Harris, Junr. and Brice J. Worthington; for the branch of the Farmers' Bank of Maryland at Easton, Robert L. Nicholls and David Kerr, Junr. for the Hager's-Town Bank, Thomas B. Hall and Thomas Buchanan; and for the Elkton Bank, John Stump, of Cecil. Messrs. N. Williams and Brown are appointed by the senate to join such gentlemen as may be named by your house, to count the ballots and report thereon.

By order,

THO'S. ROGERS, Clk.

Mr. L. Hollingsworth from the committee delivers a bill entitled, an act to incorporate a company to make a turnpike road from the city of Baltimore to Havre-de-Grace; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table

The clerk of the H. of Delegates delivers a bill entitled, an act for the relief of David Stirrat of Baltimore city; a bill entitled, an act to incorporate the trustees of the Jerusalem Church in Frederick county; a bill entitled, an act to give validity and operation to a deed therein mentioned; a bill entitled, an act authorising a lottery to raise a sum of money for certain purposes therein mentioned; and a bill entitled, an act supplementary to an act entitled, an act to regulate the inspection of tobacco, severally passed by that house Jan. 17, 1814; which were severally read the first time and ordered to lie on the table. Also returns the bill entitled, an act for the benefit of certain persons who emigrated into, or settled in this state before the adoption of the constitution of the United States, passed by that house Jan. 17, 1814. Ordered to be engrossed.

The bill entitled, an act supplementary to an act entitled, an act to incorporate the Washington Cotton Manufacturing Company of the city of Baltimore, was read the second time, and will pass with the proposed amendment.

*Amendment proposed.*

Strike out from the word "Cotton" in the 7th line of the 2nd page to the end of the bill.

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