

## WEDNESDAY, January 3.

The senate met. Present the same members as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read. The bill entitled, an act to confirm and make valid all the acts done by David Bowlus, a justice of the peace for Frederick county, was read the second time, passed and sent to the house of delegates by the clerk.

The clerk of the house of delegates delivers a bill entitled, an act for the relief of Susanna Highfield. A bill entitled, an act to alter and change the name of Cecil cross roads in Cecil county to Berlin. A bill entitled, a further supplement to the act entitled, an act for quieting possessions and securing and confirming the estates of purchasers. A bill entitled, an act to lay out and make public a road in Alleghany county, severally passed by that house January 2, 1816. Resolutions in favor of William M'Gee and Charles M'Gee, revolutionary soldiers; and a resolution referring the claim of John Norris of Harford county, for costs and expenses incurred by him in prosecuting a suit in equity against the state, on account of a tract of land called "Burr" sold by the state to the said John Norris and Jacob Norris, to the auditor to report what sum of money, if any, is due to the said John Norris. Which were severally read the first time and ordered to lie on the table. Also returns the bill entitled, an act to authorise the sale of the real estate therein mentioned, passed by that house January 2, 1816. Ordered to be engrossed.

The bill entitled, an act to appoint trustees for the sale of the property therein mentioned, being part of the real estate of the late Henry Willis, deceased, was read the second time, passed with sundry amendments and sent to the house of delegates by the clerk.

Mr. Stephen presented a petition from Daniel Barnitz and others, praying a law to confirm the compromise therein mentioned. Which was read and referred to Messrs. Stephen, N. Williams and Fenwick to consider and report thereon.

The clerk of the house of delegates delivers the following message:

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, January 3, 1816.

*Gentlemen of the Senate,*

We have appointed Messrs. Kingour and Lloyd a committee to join such gentlemen as shall be appointed by your house to enquire into the state of the government house and furniture, and to ascertain what additions and repairs are necessary thereto.

By order,

LOUIS GASSAWAY, Clk.

Which was read.

Mr. Johnson presented a memorial from John Gadsby and others, counter to the petition of William Kennedy. Which was read and ordered to lie on the table.

The bill entitled, an act for making certain roads in Baltimore and Harford counties. The bill entitled, an act repealing the fourth section of an act entitled, an act to incorporate a company to make an artificial road therein mentioned; and the bill entitled, an act to incorporate a company for the improvement of the navigation of the river Susquehanna, were severally read the second time and will pass.

The senate resumed the consideration of the bill entitled, an act to authorise and empower the Levy courts of the several counties of this state to lay out or cause to be laid out public roads in their respective counties, and the bill being read, the question was put, shall this bill pass? Resolved in the affirmative.

The question was then put, shall the title be amended by striking out the words "of this state" and inserting in lieu thereof "herein mentioned?" Resolved in the affirmative.

The bill entitled, an act to authorise the sale of a part of the real estate of Benjamin Ricaud, was read the second time, the title amended by adding thereto the word "deceased" and will pass.

The senate adjourns until to-morrow morning nine o'clock.

## THURSDAY, January 4.

The senate met. Present the same members as on yesterday, except Mr. L. Hollingsworth. The proceedings of yesterday were read.

The bill entitled, an act for making certain roads in Baltimore and Harford counties. The bill entitled, an act repealing the fourth section of an act entitled, an act to incorporate a company to make an artificial road therein mentioned. The bill entitled, an act to authorise and empower the Levy courts of the several counties of this state to lay out or cause to be laid out public roads in their respective counties; and the bill entitled, an act to authorise the sale of a part of the real estate of Benjamin Ricaud, were sent to the house of delegates by the clerk.

The bill entitled, an act authorising a lottery to raise a sum of money for the purpose of repairing the Presbyterian and Lutheran church in Emmitsburg in Frederick county, was read the second time, passed and sent to the house of delegates by the clerk.

On motion of Mr. Hebb, leave given to bring in a bill entitled, an act to regulate marriage and divorce. Ordered, that Messrs. Hebb, Brown and Fenwick be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

The bill entitled, an act relating to the poor house and public ground thereto belong in Cecil county, was read the second time, passed and sent to the house of delegates by the clerk.

The bill entitled, an act to lay out a road in Baltimore county, was read the second time, passed and sent to the house of delegates by the clerk.

The bill entitled, an act to change and alter sundry parts of the constitution and form of government, was read the second time and will not pass.

The clerk of the council delivers a communication from the executive enclosing the report of Benjamin Williams keeper of the Maryland penitentiary for the last year. Which was read and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Stephen from the committee delivers a bill entitled, an act to give effect to a compromise in certain actions of ejectment in the circuit court of the United States for the district of Maryland. Which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Hawkins from the committee delivers a bill entitled, an act to authorise Philemon Towson and Sebastian Graff to sell and dispose of certain property in the city of Baltimore belonging to them and their infant children. Which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.