

pursuing and apprehending William Cotterill, and his two sons William and John, who were tried and convicted, in Washington county court, at last November term, of the murder of James Adams, in Allegany county, in the month of May last.

By order,

J. BREWER, Clk.

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, January 12, 1820.

Resolved, That all proceedings against Benjamin G Jones, late sheriff of Harford county, and his securities, on judgments obtained by the state against them, be and the same are hereby suspended until the first day of January next, and that the nine per cent. additional interest chargeable thereon, be and the same is hereby released; provided the principal and six per cent. interest shall be paid within one year from the passage of this resolution.

By order,

J. BREWER, Clk.

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, January 13, 1820.

Resolved, That if the commissioners appointed under the law of December session, 1816, chapter 256, entitled, An act for the distribution of a certain fund for the purpose of establishing free schools in the several counties therein named, shall neglect to meet and make such disposition of the same as is required by the provisions of said law, on or before the first Monday in March next, then and in that case the justices of the levy court of Worcester county, be and they are hereby authorised to draw on the treasurer of the western shore, from time to time, for such sums as they, or a majority of them, may direct, and the said treasurer is hereby authorised and directed to pay such sum as they may draw of the said fund, to be applied to the education of the poor children of Worcester county.

By order,

J. BREWER, Clk.

Also, A bill, entitled, An act for the relief of John M. Pherson, and others, appointed managers of a lottery under an act passed at December session 1816, chapter 42; a bill, entitled, An act for the relief of Thomas Russell, a free black man, of Washington county; a bill, entitled, An act authorising and directing the levy court of Washington county to levy and assess a sum of money for the support of a foundling child; a bill, entitled, An act to authorise a lottery to raise a sum of money for the purpose of building a church for the use of the Lutherans and Presbyterians in the neighbourhood of Allguiers, in Baltimore county; a bill, entitled, An act for the relief of James Nicholson, of Talbot county; a bill, entitled, An act for the benefit of the vestry of All-Saints Church in Frederick Town, Frederick county; a bill, entitled, An act for the benefit of Arabella Bayard, of Caroline county; a bill, entitled, An act authorising a lottery or lotteries for the purpose of finishing the Susquehanna bridge now building at the Conowingo Falls; a bill, entitled, An act to alter the time of holding the county court of Charles county; a bill, entitled, An act to incorporate the masters and wardens for the time being of Salisbury Lodge, No. 57, of free and accepted masons, for the purposes therein mentioned; a bill, entitled, An act to authorise John Stevens, the elder, late collector of Talbot county, to complete his collection; a bill, entitled, An act for the relief of James Bowers, of Kent county; a bill, entitled, An act for the revaluation of the real and personal property in Washington county; a bill, entitled, An act to increase the allowance of the sheriff of Worcester county, for keeping prisoners in jail and finding them victuals; and a bill, entitled, An act authorising the sale of certain property therein mentioned; which were read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

And returns the bill, entitled, A supplement to an act, entitled, An act relating to insolvent debtors in the city and county of Baltimore, with the following message:

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, January 12, 1820.

*Gentlemen of the Senate,*

We return you a fair draft of the bill, entitled, A supplement to an act relating to insolvent debtors in the city and county of Baltimore. The amendments complained of, were made upon the second reading, and were not copied, owing to the press of business at the moment.

By order,

J. BREWER, Clk.

Which was read.

On motion of Mr Carmichael, Leave given to bring in a bill supplementary to the act, entitled, An act to regulate lotteries. Ordered, That Messrs. Carmichael, Magruder and Hughlett, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

Mr. Maxey from the committee reported a bill, entitled, An act to incorporate a company to erect a bridge over South river; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

The bill making valid a certain deed therein mentioned, was read the third time and will not pass.

The bill for the relief of Henry Witmer, of Washington county, was read the third time, and on motion postponed for further consideration.

The bill, entitled, A supplement to the act, entitled, An act to incorporate the contributors to the Baltimore General Dispensary, was read the third time by special order and will pass.

The bill to authorise the levy court of Anne-Arundel county, to erect and establish a warehouse for the inspection of tobacco in the city of Annapolis, was read the second, and by special order the third time, and will pass with the proposed amendment. Strike out in the first line of the preamble the words "and port."

The clerk of the executive delivers a communication, transmitting a letter from the Honourable John Quincy Adams, secretary of state, of the United States, requesting to be furnished with four sets of the laws of Maryland for the use of his department; which were read and referred to the consideration of the house of delegates.

The supplement to an act, entitled, An act relating to justices of the peace in the city of Baltimore, was read the second time by special order and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The supplement to an act for the better protection of slaveholders in the several counties therein mentioned, was read the third time, and on motion postponed for further consideration.

The bill to allow further time to the securities of Thomas Thompson, late collector of Dorchester county, to complete their collection, was read the third time and will pass.

The supplement to the act, entitled, An act to restrain the evil practices arising from negroes keeping dogs, and to prohibit them from carrying guns or offensive weapons, so far as the same relates to Harford