

thereto. We are willing to unite with your committee of claims a committee of the senate to make the proposed contract, and when notified of your assent to this proposition, we will appoint a committee.

By order,

W. KILTY, Clk.

The bill respecting the transaction of business on the equity side of Montgomery county court, was read a third time, rejected, and returned to the house of delegates.

Mr. Scott from the committee to whom was referred the bill authorising the recording of a deed from Robert Dennis to Edward Riffin, reported, that the committee had had the same under consideration, and were of opinion that it ought to pass with the following amendment, viz. 3d line, after the word "Dennis" insert the words "late of Dorchester county, deceased, as" Which amendment was read and assented to. The bill was then read a second, and by special order a third time, passed, and returned to the house of delegates.

Mr. Chambers from the committee to whom was referred the bill for the more speedy administration of justice in the first judicial district, reported, that the committee had had the same under consideration, and were of opinion that it ought not to pass. The bill was then read a second, and by special order a third time, rejected, and returned to the house of delegates.

Mr. Scott presented the petition of Hugh Thompson of the city of Baltimore, praying the passage of a law authorising an appeal from an interlocutory order of the high court of chancery, to the court of appeals for the western shore, in a certain case now depending in the said court, in which the said Hugh Thompson is defendant; which was read the first time and referred to Messrs. Scott, Chambers and Quinton.

The clerk of the house of delegates delivered a resolution in favour of Elizabeth Handy; which was read the first time and laid on the table. Also a resolution relative to balances in the treasury; which was read the first time and laid on the table. Also a bill, entitled, An act to repeal an act, entitled, An act to encourage the destruction of Crows in Saint Mary's county; which was read the first time and laid on the table; also a bill, entitled, An act to record and make valid the deed therein mentioned; which was read the first time and referred to Messrs. Scott, Thomas and Tilghman. Also a bill, entitled, A supplement to an act, entitled, An act to repeal an act passed at November session 1812, relating to the suppression of a public road in Prince-George's county; which was read the first time and referred to Messrs. Bowie, Tilghman and Miller. Also a bill, entitled, An act to enable Thomas Bowie and Humphery B. Bowie, administrators of Thomas Bowie, late of Prince George's county, deceased, to make sale of certain lots therein mentioned; which was read the first time and referred to Messrs. Bowie, Scott and Orrell. Also a bill, entitled, An act regulating the height of fences, and providing for trespasses committed by horses, mules, black cattle, sheep and hogs, and for other purposes; which was read the first time, and referred to Messrs. Orrell, Miller and Cockey. Also a bill, entitled, An act to repeal an act, entitled, An act to provide for the appointment of commissioners for the regulation and improvement of the town of Cumberland, in Allegany county, and to incorporate the same, together with the supplements thereto, and for other purposes; which was read the first time and referred to Messrs. Tilghman, Dickinson and Scott.

Mr. Tilghman asked and obtained leave to bring in a bill to be entitled, An act to alter the constitution by providing that the members of the general assembly of Maryland, in the election of governor and council, shall vote viva voce, and it was ordered that Messrs. Tilghman, Bowie and Dickinson, should be a committee to prepare and report the same.

The bill to authorise aliens to purchase and hold real property within this state, was read a second time, amended and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The senate adjourned until to-morrow morning 10 o'clock.

FRIDAY, February 18, 1825.

The senate met. Present the same members as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read:

The bill for the relief of Allen Ward of Baltimore county; the bill for the relief of Eliza Fish of Cecil county; the bill for the relief of John Clarke of Caroline county; the bill for the relief of Sarah Kerr of the city of Baltimore; the bill for the relief of Rosanna Crowl of Baltimore county; and the bill annulling the marriage of Benjamin Cromwell and Julia Ann Cromwell of Baltimore county, were returned to the house of delegates.

The resolution relative to the contemplated road from Washington to New Orleans, and the resolution relative to licenses to wholesale merchants, &c. were read a second time and laid on the table.

The resolution relative to arms, was read a third time, assented to, and returned to the house of delegates.

The bill for the relief of Juliana Marriott of Baltimore county, was read a second time and ordered to be engrossed. The said bill having been engrossed, was read a third time by special order, passed, and sent to the house of delegates.

Mr. Tilghman from the committee to whom was referred the bill to repeal an act, entitled, An act to provide for the appointment of commissioners for the regulation and improvement of the town of Cumberland, in Allegany county, and to incorporate the same, together with the supplements thereto, and for other purposes, reported, that the committee had had the same under consideration, and were of opinion that it ought to pass. The bill was then read a second time and laid on the table.

Mr. Bowie from the committee to whom was referred the bill to abolish all such parts of the constitution and form of government as relate to the time and manner of electing the senate, and the mode of filling up vacancies in that body, so that the senate may be elected immediately by the people, reported, that the committee had had the same under consideration, and were of opinion that it ought not to pass. The bill was then read a second time.

On motion, the question was put, Will the senate strike out the first section of the bill? The yeas and nays being required appeared as follow:

Affirmative—Messrs. Bowie, Brownley, Chambers, Claude, Kent, Orrell, Scott, Tilghman—8.

Negative—Messrs. Stuart, Prest, Dickinson, Miller, Quinton—4. Determined in the affirmative.