

A representation from Hezekiah Rowles and George Churchman, of Cecil county, praying a grant of a lot of land for a free school, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Hollingsworth, Mr. J. Ringgold and Mr. Tilghman, to consider and report thereon.

A petition from Benjamin Jones, late sheriff and collector of Montgomery county, praying that the time for collecting public dues may be extended, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Wootton, Mr. Ridgely, of Wm. and Mr. Sherwood, to consider and report thereon.

A petition from George William West, executor of the Rev. William West, of Baltimore-town, praying to be authorized to sell the real estate of his late father, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. O'Donnell, Mr. M'Mechen and Mr. Gough, to consider and report thereon.

A petition from John Moale, and others, of Baltimore-town, praying that the state would take back certain confiscated property purchased of the state by the late Jonathan Hudson, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Ridgely, of Wm. Mr. Oneale and Mr. Contee, to consider and report thereon.

Mr. Butcher is excused for absenting himself without leave.

The report on the petition of John Goslee, was read the second time, and the question put, That the house assent to the resolution therein contained? The yeas and nays being called for by Mr. T. Ringgold, appeared as follow:

A F F I R M A T I V E.

Messrs.	Thomas,	Chapman,	Cox,	Hollingsworth,	Dennis,	Amos,
	Plater,	M'Pherfon,	Kerr,	Oldham,	Purnell,	O'Donnell,
	Tilghman,	Hawkins,	Jones,	Forman,	Corbin,	M'Mechen,
	J. Ringgold,	Campbell,	Denwood,	Ewing,	Beatty,	Swearingen,
	Harwood,	Ridgely, of Wm.	Eccleston, jun.	Quynn,	Sappington,	Cromwell,
	Mackall,	Gough,	Goldborough,	Townsend,	Jarrett,	Beall.
	Brooke,					37.

N E G A T I V E.

Messrs.	T. Ringgold,	Sherwood,	O'Bryon,	Douglass,	Oneale,	Wootton,
	Freeland,	Eccleston,	Barnes,	Crabb,	Threlkeld,	Bayard.
	Cockey,	Frazier,	Hughlett,			15.

So it was resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Sprigg, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act respecting lost certificates; which was read the first and second time by especial order, passed, and sent to the senate, with the resolution in favour of John Goslee, by the clerk.

Mr. Bowie appeared in the house.

A petition from Benjamin Hatcheson, of Kent county, praying to be empowered to collect certain balances of public dues, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Tilghman, Mr. Kerr, Mr. Crabb and Mr. J. Ringgold, to consider and report thereon.

A petition from Jacob Green, of Prince-George's county, praying to be authorized to sell the personal estate of his late brother, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Chapman, Mr. Sprigg and Mr. Bowie, to consider and report thereon.

A petition from sundry inhabitants of Baltimore county, praying that the act of last session, for laying out a road from Gunpowder to Baltimore, be repealed, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Jarrett, Mr. Loockerman and Mr. Cockey, to consider and report thereon.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a bill, entitled, An act for the regulation of officers fees. ORDERED, That Mr. Chapman, Mr. Ewing, Mr. Sprigg, Mr. Duvall, Mr. M'Pherfon, Mr. J. Worthington and Mr. Crabb, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

The bill for the benefit of Jesse Fookes, of Worcester county, was read the second time by especial order, passed, and sent to the senate by the clerk.

Mr. Duvall, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act to explain an act, entitled, An act for regulating the mode of staying execution, and for repealing the acts of assembly therein mentioned, and also to regulate the taking of special bail; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

ORDERED, That the same have a second reading on Friday next.

Mr. Duvall, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker the following report:

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of Dennis Griffith, report, that they have taken the same into consideration, and find, that the petitioner has been engaged for many months in making a map of the state from actual measurement of the principal waters and public roads therein, and that he has completed the greater part of the western shore, a sketch of which has been laid before the committee, which appears to them to be accurate, and to which they refer the honourable house.

The committee further report, that the work was begun on subscription, the subscribers to be furnished with a complete map for 35/ the money to be paid on the delivery of the map. They have no doubt of the truth of the fact, that the petitioner, in the accomplishment of this part of the work, has exhausted his resources, and they think that it is probable he will be obliged to relinquish the undertaking without the aid of the legislature.

The committee are of opinion, that the work, when completed, will be of great public utility, and that it merits the attention and encouragement of the legislature.

The petitioner has suggested in his petition, some of the advantages which will probably result to the state from the completion of the undertaking, and the committee think proper to recite them in part here.