

prescribed by the constitution and form of government, and taking the oath to support the constitution of the United States, took their seats in the house.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a bill to alter and repeal part of the act, entitled, A supplement to the act, entitled, An act directing the time, places and manner, of holding elections for representatives of this state in the congress of the United States, and for appointing electors on the part of this state for choosing a president and vice-president of the United States, and for the regulation of the said elections, and also to repeal the act of assembly therein mentioned. ORDERED, That Mr. Jamison, Mr. Hughes and Mr. Robins, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

A petition from Henry Wilson, junior, of Harford county, praying an act of insolvency, was preferred, read, and referred to the committee on petitions of a similar nature.

A petition from the reverend Samuel Sloan, of Somerset county, stating, that he had married a certain Samuel Wilkins, a minor, to a certain widow Edwards, through misrepresentation of the parties, and praying to be released from the penalty incurred, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Nutter, Mr. Dennis and Mr. Whittington, to consider and report thereon.

A petition from Schoolfield Parkins, of Worcester county, stating, that he had intermarried with a certain Sarah Noble, of Somerset county, who, since the marriage aforesaid, had committed adultery, and been delivered of a mulatto child, and praying a divorce from his said wife, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Robins, Mr. Whittington and Mr. Dennis, to consider and report thereon.

A petition from sundry inhabitants of the town of Cambridge, praying that the act appointing commissioners for the regulation of the said town of Cambridge, and for other purposes, may be amended, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Gordon, Mr. Martin and Mr. Craig, to consider and report thereon.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a bill to revive and aid the proceedings of the orphans court of Queen-Anne's county. ORDERED, That Mr. Earle, Mr. Kent and Mr. Brown, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

A petition from Anne Moore, of Harford county, stating, that the proprietors of the Nottingham iron-works were indebted to Thomas Moore, who assigned the same to her husband, that the estate of the said proprietors has been confiscated, and praying compensation for the loss sustained by means of the same, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Brogden, Mr. Jarrett and Mr. Montgomery, to consider and report thereon.

Mr. Joseph Cresap, a delegate returned for Allegany county, appeared, and after qualifying in the mode prescribed by the constitution and form of government, and taking the oath to support the constitution of the United States, took his seat in the house.

Mr. Speaker laid before the house a letter from his Excellency the Governor, of the fifth instant, with sundry enclosures, respecting the insurrection in this state, and the state of Pennsylvania, and a letter from the governor and council, of this day, respecting the bank stock of this state, enclosing a copy of a letter to the secretary of state, praying that the same be included in Mr. Jay's embassy; which were read, and referred to Mr. Sprigg, Mr. Key, Mr. Ridout, Mr. Hughes and Mr. Driver, to consider and report thereon.

Petitions from Robert Randail and Samuel Wilson, of Harford county, Michael Wail, William Prentiss and Solomon Carter, of Baltimore-town, praying acts of insolvency, were preferred, read, and referred to the committee on petitions of a similar nature.

A petition from Joseph Adkins, Hannah Adkins, David Adkins and Ayres Parker, praying an act may pass to condemn certain lands on which they had erected a grist and saw mill, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Dorsey, Mr. Key, Mr. Dennis, Mr. Winchester and Mr. William Clarke, to consider and report thereon.

Mr. Kent, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act to revive and aid the proceedings of the orphans court of Queen-Anne's county; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

A petition from William Kilty, of Prince-George's county, guardian to the children of the late John Rogers, praying he may be authorized to dispose of the personal estate of the said deceased, and to lay out the money which may, from time to time, be in his hands, in such stock or funds as may be deemed most advantageous to the estate, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Sprigg, Mr. Wootton, Mr. Bowie, Mr. Ridout and Mr. Key, to consider and report thereon.

A petition from Isaac Purnell and John Fossett, of Worcester county, praying that the public road which leads to the bridge that is built on a branch of Herring creek may be extended till it intersects the public road that leads to the north end of Synepuxent, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Whittington, Mr. Goldsborough, Mr. Robins, Mr. Hall and Mr. Dennis, to consider and report thereon.

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

THE committee appointed to examine the returns of members from the several counties of this state, the city of Annapolis and Baltimore-town, to the house of delegates, report, that they have examined the said returns, and find, that by the certificate of the sheriff of St. Mary's county, Walter Dorsey, Philip Ford, John Abell and James Hopewell, are duly elected and returned. That by the certificate of the sheriff of Kent county, Matthew Tilghman, Charles Hynson, William Spencer and John Lambert Wilmer, are duly elected and returned. That by the certificate of the sheriff of Anne-Arundel county, John Griffith Worthington, William Brogden, Horatio Ridout and Edward Hall, are