

On motion, Leave given to bring in a bill concerning the jurisdiction of the general courts. **ORDERED**, That Mr. Winchester, Mr. Dennis, Mr. Robins, Mr. Key, Mr. Dorsey, Mr. Sprigg and Mr. Digges, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

Mr. Speaker laid before the house a letter from the governor and council of this day, enclosing a resolution of the United States, declaring that the judicial power of the United States shall not be construed to extend to any suit in law or equity, commenced or prosecuted against one of the United States by citizens of another state, or by citizens or subjects of any foreign state; which was read.

**ORDERED**, That this house will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a committee of the whole, for the purpose of taking the same into consideration.

And a letter from the secretary at war to the governor of this state, urging the equipment of the militia of this state, and particularly those required by the act of congress to be ready for immediate service; which was read, and referred to the committee appointed on the communications from his Excellency the Governor of yesterday.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a bill for the amendment of the law in certain cases. **ORDERED**, That Mr. Winchester, Mr. Montgomery, Mr. Wootton, Mr. Bowie and Mr. Key, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

A petition from William Foxcroft, of Anne-Arundel county, praying an act of insolvency, was preferred, read, and referred to the committee on petitions of a similar nature.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a bill to direct that certificates of surveys made on the eastern shore shall be returned and recorded in the land-office of the said shore, and for other purposes. **ORDERED**, That Mr. Kent, Mr. Craig, Mr. Gordon, Mr. Gale and Mr. Robins, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a bill to repeal part of an act, entitled, An act for the better administration of justice in the several counties of this state. **ORDERED**, That Mr. Gale, Mr. Dorsey, Mr. Ridout, Mr. Dennis, Mr. Mackall, Mr. M'Pherson and Mr. Brogden, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

Mr. Jamison, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act 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 the 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; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

**ORDERED**, That the same have a second reading on Thursday the twenty-first instant.

The house adjourns till to-morrow morning 9 o'clock.

## S A T U R D A Y, November 8, 1794.

**T**HE house met. Present the same members as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read. Mr. John Johnson, 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. Earle is excused for absenting himself without leave.

A letter of resignation from Thomas Beall, of Samuel, was read and accepted, and a warrant issued to the sheriff of Allegany county for the election of one member agreeably to the constitution and form of government, returnable on or before the fifth day of December next.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a bill to ascertain the salary of members of the council for the ensuing year. **ORDERED**, That Mr. Sprigg, Mr. Craig and Mr. Hughes, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

Petitions from John Savin, John Maken, Thomas Pearce, Peregrine Bayard and William Wood, of Baltimore-town, and John Andrew Patriek and Thomas Goulding, of Baltimore county, praying acts of insolvency, were preferred, read, and referred to the committee on petitions of a similar nature.

A petition from Tubman Lowes, of Somerset county, praying compensation for injury done to his property on Lowes's Point, during the late war, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Carroll, Mr. Dennis and Mr. Quynn, to consider and report thereon.

A petition from Moses Lecompte, of Dorchester county, stating, that his wife hath committed adultery with a mulatto slave, and praying a divorce, was preferred, read, and referred to the committee on the petition of Schoolfield Parker.

Mr. Sprigg, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act to settle and ascertain the salary of the members of the council for the ensuing year; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

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

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

**T**HE committee to whom was referred the petition of Schoolfield Parker, of Worcester county, report, that they have considered the said petition, and find that Sarah, the wife of the said Schoolfield, was convicted in the county court of Worcester county, at June term last, of adultery, and of having a mulatto child, and that by the judgment of the said court the said Sarah was sold as a servant, agreeably to the act of assembly in such case made and provided. Your committee therefore

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