

Petitions from Patrick, John, Andrew, and Thomas Goulding, Robert Ellis, Michael Wall, 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 George Goldsmith Presbury and George Salmon, assistant justices of Baltimore county court, praying a certain daily allowance may be made to the assistant justices of the said court for their time and attention to the watch established in Baltimore-town, and also such fees as may appear reasonable for the criminal business when not done in court, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. M'Mechen, Mr. Ridgely, of William, and Mr. Winchester, to consider and report thereon.

A memorial from the special commissioners of Baltimore-town, praying an act may pass levying such tax or taxes as will enable them, or their successors in office, to build three new stone bridges over Jones's Falls, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Ridgely, Mr. John T. Worthington, Mr. Merryman, Mr. M'Mechen and Mr. Winchester, to consider and report thereon.

A petition from the pilots in the Chesapeake bay, praying an act may pass to enlarge the present price of pilotage per foot, and to oblige all vessels of more than sixty tuns, bound to and from sea, to take a pilot, and that a new board may be appointed, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. M'Mechen, Mr. Frazier, Mr. Steele, Mr. Winchester and Mr. Hopewell, to consider and report thereon.

A representation from the judges of the court of appeals, relative to two indictments against the attorney-general of this state, removed from the general court, was preferred and read.

A petition from Eleanor Brother, executrix of Henry Brother, deceased, and others, of Frederick county, praying compensation for losses sustained by the encampment of the 4th Georgia battalion in the year 1777, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Winchester, Mr. Baer and Mr. Shriver, to consider and report thereon.

A petition from David Kephart, of Frederick county, praying an act may pass authorizing a lottery, to enable him to raise a sum of money to build a bridge over Pipe creek, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Shriver, Mr. Winchester and Mr. Beatty, to consider and report thereon.

A petition from John Savin and John Makin, of Cæcil county, praying an act of insolvency, was preferred, read, and referred to the committee on petitions of a similar nature.

RESOLVED, That all petitions preferred this session shall be referred to a committee on the first reading, unless otherwise ordered by the house.

A petition from Hezekiah Ford, and others, of Cæcil county, praying an act may pass authorizing the said Ford, guardian of Manassah and Margaret Logue, daughters of Ephraim Logue, to sell that part of the estate left them by their deceased father, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Pinkney, Mr. Ward and Mr. Whittington, to consider and report thereon.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a supplement to an act, entitled, An act relating to public roads in this state, and to repeal the acts of assembly therein mentioned. ORDERED, That Mr. Davis, Mr. Key, Mr. Ringgold, Mr. Hopewell, Mr. Baer, Mr. John Worthington and Mr. Hollingsworth, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a supplement to an act, entitled, An act for the valuation of real and personal property within this state. ORDERED, That Mr. Winchester, Mr. J. Johnson and Mr. Whittington, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

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

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of sundry inhabitants of George-town, relative to the continuation and extension of certain streets in Beatty and Hawkins's addition to George-town, report, that they have examined the facts stated in said petition, and find, that the proprietors of the ground, through which the said streets will be continued and extended, have very generally approved of the measure, and that notice has been duly published in the news-papers of the object of the present petition. They further report, that they have examined an accurate plot and location of the lots in said town, and, in their judgment, conceive the extension and continuation of said streets a measure of public benefit and utility, and are of opinion, that a law should pass to carry into effect the objects of said petition. All which is submitted to the house.

By order,

J. W. KING, clk.

Which was read the first and second time, concurred with, and leave given to bring in a bill pursuant thereto.

A petition from Joseph Baxter, clerk of Cæcil county, praying to be released from the fifteen per cent. interest due on the amount of the tax on ordinary licences, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Key, Mr. Gilpin and Mr. Hollingsworth, to consider and report thereon.

A petition from Thomas Bond and Henry Richardson, securities of Thomas Gibson, deceased, late sheriff of Harford county, praying they may be empowered to collect the balances due to the said sheriff, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Pinkney, Mr. Montgomery and Mr. Wootton, to consider and report thereon.

Mr. Wootton brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act for the valuation of the lot of ground in Queen-Anne whereon the warehouses stand, and paying the proprietor for the value thereof; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

On the second reading of the representation from the judges of the court of appeals, RESOLVED, That the governor and council be and they are hereby requested to appoint some practising attorney of that court, to appear, on the part of the state, to the writs of error now depending in the said court, brought by the attorney-general on judgments of the general court for the eastern shore, founded on certain indictments against the said attorney-general for taking illegal fees; and that the person