

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, November, 1795.

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

THE committee appointed to conſider and report on the petition for the eſtabliſhment of a bank in Baltimore-town, report, that the merits or propriety of ſuch an inſtitution cannot be fairly conſidered upon any general opinion which might be ſubmitted by the committee, they therefore ſuggeſt the propriety of granting leave to bring in a bill for that purpoſe, in order that the ſenſe of the houſe may be expreſſed, as well on the particular form of a charter, as on the utility of banks in general. All which is ſubmitted.

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. ORDERED, That Mr. Wincheſter, Mr. M^cMechen, Mr. Key, Mr. Pinkney and Mr. Dennis, be a committee to prepare and bring in the ſame.

Mr. Digges, 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 Prince-George's and Charles counties, praying a repeal of the act of April ſeſſion, ſeventeen hundred and eighty-three, entitled, An act to prohibit the bringing ſlaves into this ſtate, and the ſeveral ſupplementary acts thereto, report, that they have examined the allegations ſuggeſted by the petitioners, and believe the conſtructions given ſaid laws by the courts in this ſtate have been different and contradictory. The committee think the conſtruction of ſaid laws and their meaning very doubtful, and ought to be explained by the legiſlature. The committee, oppoſed upon principles of policy to an entire repeal of ſaid laws, would beg leave to ſuggeſt to the houſe the propriety of making the laws explicit and clear on this ſubject, and that a bill be brought in to compriſe, in one law, all the neceſſary provisions that this caſe requires. All which is ſubmitted.

By order,

J. W. KING, clk.

Which was read.

Mr. Shriver, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act to authoriſe the holding of a lottery for erecting a bridge over Great Pipe creek in Frederick county; which was read the firſt time and ordered to lie on the table.

On the ſecond reading the report on the petition of John Welſh, the queſtion was put, That the blank in the reſolution be filled up with two ſhillings and ſix-pence per day? Reſolved in the affirmative.

The queſtion was then put, That the houſe aſſent to the ſaid reſolution? Reſolved in the affirmative.

A petition from George Wallace, of Cæcil county, ſtating, that he purchaſed of the ſheriff of ſaid county a lot of ground which was conſiſcated, and praying his title may be confirmed in the ſaid lot, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Ward, Mr. R. Bond, Mr. Hall and Mr. Barroll, to conſider and report thereon.

The bill to authoriſe the holding of a lottery for erecting a bridge over Great Pipe creek in Frederick county, was read the ſecond time by eſpecial order, paſſed, and ſent to the ſenate by the clerk.

The report on the petition of Normand Bruce, was committed for amendment.

A petition from the truſtees of Charlotte-hall ſchool, and ſundry the citizens of Saint-Mary's, Charles, and Prince-George's counties, praying an act may paſs, appropriating ſo much of the ſurplus of the money ariſing from the funds of Saint-John's college as may be the proportion of the ſaid counties, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Parnham, Mr. Wootton, Mr. Lloyd, Mr. Key, Mr. Digges, Mr. Pinkney and Mr. Ridgely, of William, to conſider and report thereon.

Mr. J. Johnſon, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act to empower John C. Beatty to collect the balances due him as ſheriff and collector of Allegany county; which was read the firſt time and ordered to lie on the table.

The clerk of the ſenate delivers the reſolutions in favour of Samuel Meſſit and Joſeph Baxter, ſeverally endorsed; "By the ſenate, November 13, 1795: Read the firſt time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order,

H. WARFIELD, clk.

"By the ſenate, November 18, 1795: Read the ſecond time and aſſented to.

"By order,

H. WARFIELD, clk."

On motion, ORDERED, That Mr. T. Worthington be added to the committee on the petition of Thomas Cockey Deye reſpecting a road.

Mr. Ridgely, of William, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker the following report:

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of Normand Bruce, of Frederick county, have taken the ſame into conſideration, and are of opinion his caſe is ſuch as to merit the interpoſition of the legiſlature. It further appears to your committee, that there are other perſons in the ſame ſituation, who alſo ought to be relieved, they therefore are of opinion a law ought to paſs for that purpoſe. All which is ſubmitted, &c.

By order,

J. O'BRYON, 3d. clk.

Which was read the firſt and ſecond time, concurred with, and leave given to bring in a bill purſuant thereto. ORDERED, That Mr. Key, Mr. J. Johnſon and Mr. Wincheſter, be a committee to prepare and bring in the ſame.

Mr. Baer, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, A Further ſupplement to the act, entitled, An act to eſtabliſh a market in Frederick-town, in Frederick county, and for the regulation of the ſaid market; which was read the firſt and ſecond time by eſpecial order, paſſed, and ſent to the ſenate by the clerk.

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