

The speaker laid before the house a report from the president and trustees of Charlotte-Hall school; which was read.

ORDERED, That Mr. Parnham, Mr. Taney, Mr. Turner, Mr. Digges and Mr. M'Pherson, be a committee to consider and report thereon.

Mr. Perry, from the committee, brings in and delivers to the speaker the following report:

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of sundry inhabitants of Allegany county, praying an act for laying out a road from the Morgan-town road, on the ridge between Asa Beall's and William Coddington's, to the Virginia line, near to the lands of John Forrest, report, that they have considered the same, and are of opinion the prayer thereof ought to be granted.

By order,

L. GASSAWAY, clk.

Which was read.

Mr. Turner, from the committee, brings in and delivers to the speaker a bill, entitled, An act to prevent the going at large of swine and poultry in the town of New-Market, in Frederick county; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

On motion, ORDERED, That the governors and visitors of Saint-John's college lay before this house, on or before the tenth day of December next, an account of the expenditure of the sum granted as a donation to said college during the last and present years, together with the vouchers necessary to establish the same.

Mr. Turner, from the committee, brings in and delivers to the speaker the following report:

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of William D. Beall, of Montgomery county, report, that they have taken the same into consideration, and are of opinion, that under the particular circumstances of his case, a special act ought to pass to release him from his debts.

By order,

L. GASSAWAY, clk.

Which was read the first and second time, concurred with, and leave given to bring in a bill pursuant thereto. ORDERED, That the committee appointed on the said petition prepare and bring in the same.

Mr. Stewart, from the committee, brings in and delivers to the speaker a bill, entitled, An act for the more effectual preservation of the breed of wild deer in Somerset and Dorchester counties; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

The bill to revive and aid the proceedings of the orphans court of Calvert county, and to enable the register to adjourn the same, was read the second time, passed, and sent to the senate by the clerk.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a bill to empower notaries public to appoint a deputy or deputies in the cases therein mentioned. ORDERED, That Mr. Buchanan, Mr. Johonnot and Mr. Duckett, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

A petition from Rezin Davidge, praying an act of insolvency, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Key, Mr. Quynn and Mr. Brome, to consider and report thereon.

The report on the petition of sundry inhabitants of Montgomery county was read the second time, concurred with, and leave given to bring in a bill pursuant thereto. ORDERED, That the committee appointed on the said petition prepare and bring in the same.

On motion, ORDERED, That the visitors and governors of Washington college lay before the house, on or before the 15th day of December next, an account of the expenditure of the sum granted as a donation to said college for the present year, together with the vouchers necessary to establish the same.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a bill to confirm an act, entitled, An act to alter, abolish and repeal, certain parts of the constitution and form of government of this state as are therein mentioned. ORDERED, That Mr. Duckett, Mr. J. Thomas, Mr. Mason, Mr. Goldsborough and Mr. Turner, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

Mr. Hall, from the committee of claims, brings in and delivers to the speaker the following report:

THE committee of claims, to whom was referred the petition of John Welch, sheriff of Anne-Arundel county, report, that they have had the same under their consideration, and find, by a statement laid before them, that he has expended the sum of sixteen pounds fifteen shillings more than what is allowed by an act of assembly, entitled, An act for the speedy conveyance of public letters and packets; they therefore submit to the house the propriety of allowing him the same.

By order,

S. MAYNARD, clk.

Which was read.

Whereas it is represented to this general assembly, by the petition of James Weems, that on the seventeenth day of May, seventeen hundred and eighty-two, a certificate issued, in the name of Thomas Gray, for two hundred and thirty-three pounds sixteen shillings and six-pence, which certificate was for the use of said James Weems: And whereas it further appears, that the said certificate has been lost or mislaid by said Weems, and hath never been cancelled or redeemed; RESOLVED, That the treasurer of the western shore be and he is hereby directed to pay to James Weems, or order, the sum of two hundred and thirty-three pounds sixteen shillings and six-pence currency, with interest on the same from the seventeenth day of May, seventeen hundred and eighty-two; provided that the said sum shall not be paid to the said Weems, or his order, until the said Weems, or some other person on his behalf, shall give bond to the state of Maryland, with sufficient security, to be approved by the treasurer of the western shore, conditioned to refund the aforesaid sum of two hundred and thirty-three pounds sixteen shillings and six-pence, with