

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, NOVEMBER 27, 1801.

GENTLEMEN OF THE SENATE,

WE have returned the bill for the relief of Henry Hagan, of Charles county, for reconsideration, which we solicit of your body. Under an impression that the senate had determined to pass no special act of insolvency whatever, we have been prevented till now from making this communication, but finding the bill in favour of Joseph Forman a departure from such principle, if it was adopted, we take the liberty to suggest that the circumstances existing in the present case, in our opinion, call for the immediate interference of the legislature in as strong terms as any which have or can come before them during the present session.

By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

Mr. Miller, from the committee, delivers to the speaker the following report:

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of John Starrett, and others, of Cecil county, report, that they have taken the same into consideration, and believe the facts therein stated to be true. and in their judgment the case of the petitioners is very peculiar and hard on them, and merits relief; but as the state is interested, and as the facts touching the subject are complicated and intricate, and ought to be minutely examined into and well digested, they submit to the house the propriety of the following resolutions:

RESOLVED, That the governor and council be and they are hereby authorized and empowered to take the petition of John Starrett, and others, of Cecil county, into their consideration, and after examining the testimony and facts relating to the same, to make report thereof to the general assembly, with such relief, if any, as the case merits.

RESOLVED, That all proceedings upon the judgments heretofore recovered, or to be recovered, by the state against John Starrett, James Nesbit, James Steele, Hugh Lyon, Daniel Norris and Martha Patterson, executrix of John Patterson, of Cecil county, upon bonds given for the purchase of a tract of land called The Widow's Lot, alias Connaught Manor, lying in Susquehanna hundred, Cecil county, be and the same are hereby stayed until the twenty-ninth day of December, eighteen hundred and two. All which is submitted.

By order,

C. GIBSON, clk.

Which was read.

The clerk of the senate delivers the bill authorizing the levy court of Washington county to lay out a road from Elizabeth-town, in Washington county, by Barnett's fording, to the Pennsylvania line, endorsed; "By the senate, November 27, 1801: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

" By order,

J. B. DUCKETT, clk.

" By the senate, November 27, 1801: Read the second time by a special order and will pass with the proposed amendment.

" By order,

J. B. DUCKETT, clk."

Which amendment was read the first and second time, agreed to, and the bill ordered to be engrossed.

And a letter from the governor of this day, with enclosures, relative to the stock in the bank of England belonging to this state, endorsed; "By the senate, November 27, 1801: Read and referred to the consideration of the house of delegates.

" By order,

J. B. DUCKETT, clk."

Which were read and referred to Mr. Chapman, Mr. Montgomery, Mr. Scott, Mr. Goldsborough and Mr. Bowie, to consider and report thereon.

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

S A T U R D A Y, November 28, 1801.

THE house met. Present the same members as on yesterday, except Mr. Magruder, Mr. Ott and Mr. Hanson. The proceedings of yesterday were read.

The message and bill for the relief of Henry Hagan, of Charles county, were sent to the senate by the clerk.

The amendment to the resolution in favour of William Gardiner was read the second time and agreed to.

- Petitions from Benjamin Robinson, jun. of Charles county, George Carnaghan, Fordom Pease, of the city of Baltimore, and John Erskine, of Talbot county, praying acts of insolvency, were preferred, read, and referred to the committee appointed on petitions of a similar nature.

Mr. Scott and Mr. Keene have leave of absence for a few days.

Mr. Holbrook, from the committee, delivers to the speaker a bill, entitled, An act to empower the late sheriff and collector of Kent county to collect the balances due him; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

The bill to empower James Clayland, junior, of Queen-Anne's county, to complete the collection of officers fees, and of the amerancements due the state, due and unpaid to Henry Costin, late sheriff of Queen-Anne's county, was read the second time, passed, and sent to the senate by the clerk.

Mr. Montgomery, from the committee, delivers to the speaker a bill, entitled, A supplement to the act for the promotion of literature in this state; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

A petition