

such terms as he shall deem most advantageous to Elizabeth Townsend, and the heirs of Levin Townsend, deceased.

By order,

C. GIBSON, clk.

Which was read.

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

T H U R S D A Y, December 10, 1801.

THE house met. Present the same members as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read. Memorials from the representatives of the people called Quakers, on behalf of their fellow men of the African race, was preferred, read, and referred to the committee appointed on the petition of Joseph Churchman, and others.

A petition and memorial from the proprietors of the Susquehanna canal, praying an act may pass designating the mode by which the half tolls on all merchandise and other articles passing down the bed of the river Susquehanna, to which they are entitled, may be secured and collected, and that they may be authorized to add ten additional shares to those already incorporated, and to dispose of the same for the reimbursement of the company, was preferred, read, and referred to the committee appointed to bring in a bill respecting the Susquehanna canal.

A petition from Luke Huntington, of Charles county, stating that he is unable to support his family, and praying relief, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. M'Pherson, Mr. P. Stuart and Mr. Chapman, to consider and report thereon.

A petition from sundry inhabitants of Prince-George's county, praying an act may pass for surveying and laying out a direct road from the town of Nottingham to the city of Washington, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Bowie, Mr. Quinton and Mr. Wood, to consider and report thereon.

A memorial from Samuel Chapman, of Charles county, counter to the petition of Henry Thompson, of Charles county, was preferred, read, and referred to the committee appointed on the petition to which it is counter.

A petition from John M. Burgess and Sarah Burgess, of Prince-George's county, praying to be released from a fine imposed by the court of said county, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Bowie, Mr. Van-Horn and Mr. Hyland, to consider and report thereon.

A petition from Joseph Masley, of Queen-Anne's county, praying an act of insolvency, was preferred, read, and referred to the committee appointed on petitions of a similar nature.

A petition from John Sample, of York county, Pennsylvania, stating, that he neglected to return a certificate of survey agreeably to law, that he obtained new warrants, and praying the composition money paid upon the old certificate may be applied to the new certificates, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Forwood, Mr. Montgomery and Mr. E. Davis, to consider and report thereon.

A petition from Samuel Lockett, of Charles county, praying the privilege of a road to and from his grist mill, and a free passage of water to and from the same, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Jones, Mr. Chapman, Mr. Goldsborough, Mr. Harwood and Mr. Quinton, to consider and report thereon.

Petitions from sundry inhabitants of Frederick county, praying an act may pass for laying out a road from the town of Westminster to the city of Washington, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Nelson, Mr. T. Davis, Mr. Love, Mr. Shriver, Mr. Van-Horn, Mr. Montgomery and Mr. Magruder, to consider and report thereon.

Mr. Montgomery, from the committee, delivers to the speaker the bill relative to the administration of justice in this state, and to repeal the acts of assembly therein mentioned, as amended; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

A petition from William Rose, and others, of Talbot county, securities of a certain William Stoddart Bond, praying that all proceedings against them may be suspended, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Orrell, Mr. Martin and Mr. Scott, to consider and report thereon.

The report on the petition of Leonard Bean was read the second time, the resolution therein contained assented to, and sent to the senate by the clerk.

Mr. Thomas, from the committee, delivers to the speaker the bill, entitled, A supplement to an act, entitled An act for regulating the mode of staying execution, and repealing the acts of assembly therein mentioned and for other purposes, as amended; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Tillotson appeared in the house.

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

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of John M. Comas, of Harford county, report, that the relief prayed for is given to the petitioner by the act to incorporate a company to erect toll-bridges across Winter's run, in Harford county, and the Big and Little Falls, in Baltimore county. All which is submitted.

By order,

C. GIBSON, clk.

Which was read.

Mr. Nelson, from the committee, delivers to the speaker a bill, entitled, An act annulling the marriage of Job Grift, of Frederick county, and Susannah his wife; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Scott