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A petition from sundry inhabitants of Middletown, in Frederick county, praying an act may pass authorising them to raise, by lottery, the sum of four hundred dollars, for the purpose of purchasing a fire engine, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Nelson, Mr. Hawkins and Mr. Shriver, to consider and report thereon.

The report on the petition of Elizabeth Rouse, of Caroline county, was read the second time, and the resolution therein contained assented to.

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

## T H U R S D A Y, December 9, 1802.

THE house met. Present the same members as on yesterday, except Mr. Grahame. The proceedings of yesterday were read.

A petition from Hedwick Holliday, of Cæcil county, praying that she may be authorised to build a bridge over, or to keep a boat, for the purpose of crossing the canal, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Müller, Mr. Van-Horn and Mr. Bowie, to consider and report thereon.

A petition from sundry inhabitants of the city of Baltimore, counter to the petition of Robert Stratton, was preferred, read, and referred to the committee appointed on the petition to which it is counter.

ORDERED, That Mr. Nabb be added to the committee appointed to bring in a bill to regulate officers fees.

Mr. James Alexander, a delegate returned for Cæcil county, appeared, and after qualifying in the mode prescribed by the constitution and form of government, and taking the oath to support the constitution of the United States, took his seat in the house.

The resolution in favour of Elizabeth Rouse, of Caroline county, was sent to the senate by the clerk.

A petition from sundry inhabitants of Caroline county, praying that the election in said county may be held as heretofore, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Orrell, Mr. Young and Mr. Mitchell, to consider and report thereon.

Petitions from John L. Dorsey, of Frederick county, and David Porter, of the city of Baltimore, praying acts of insolvency, were preferred, read, and referred to the committee appointed on petitions of a similar nature.

Mr. Moore has leave of absence for a few days.

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

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of Samuel Norwood report, that the said Samuel Norwood having expressed a desire to be heard by counsel at the bar, and Edward Norwood, who conceives himself interested in the event of his application, being present, and consenting to the same, your committee therefore submit the following resolution :

RESOLVED, That this house will, on the 15th day of December, instaut, hear counsel in support of said petition, and also the counsel of Edward Norwood, at the bar of this house, and that subpoenas be issued for such witnesses as the parties may respectively require.

By order,

D. C. HOPPER, clk.

Which was read the first and second time, and the resolution therein contained assented to.

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

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of Edward Norwood, and the counter petitions of Larkin Shipley, Patrick M. Gill, and others, report, that the petitioner having expressed a desire to be heard by counsel at the bar, your committee therefore submit the following resolution :

RESOLVED, That this house will, on the 15th day of December, instant, hear counsel in support of the petition, and also the counsel of the counter petitioners, at the bar of this house, and that subpoenas be issued for such witnesses as the parties may respectively require.

By order,

D. C. HOPPER, clk.

Which was read the first and second time, and the resolution therein contained assented to.

A petition from John Sterrett, and others, of Cæcil county, respecting the purchase of a certain tract of land called The Widow's Lot, lying in the county aforesaid, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Miller, Mr. Montgomery and Mr. Van-Horn, to consider and report thereon.

The bill for the relief of James B. Sullivane, of Dorchester county, was read the second time, passed, and sent to the senate by the clerk.

Mr. Goldsborough, from the committee, delivers to the speaker a bill, entitled, An act supplementary to the act, entitled, An act appointing commissioners to contract for and purchase the lands commonly called The Choptank Indian Lands, in Dorchester county, and for appropriating the same to the use of the state, and to repeal the act of assembly therein mentioned; which was read the first and second time by especial order, passed, and sent to the senate by the clerk.

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

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of sundry inhabitants of Frederick county, praying an amendment in the act passed at November session, 1800, entitled, An act to open a road from the Pennsylvania line, through Emmitsburg and Creager's-town, to intersect the main road from Lancaster to the city of Washington