

60 VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, NOVEMBER SESSION, 1802.

T U E S D A Y, December 28, 1802.

**T**HE house met. Present the same members as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read. The bill to incorporate the members of the Taney-town library company, in Frederick county, the bill for extending the benefit of struck juries to criminal cases, the bill to make public the proceedings of the levy courts in the several counties of this state, and to repeal part of an act of assembly therein mentioned, the bill to lay out and open a public road from the farm of Charles Sewell to the farm of John Chairs, junior, in Queen-Anne's county, the message respecting the further additional supplement to the act, entitled, An act for the enlargement of the powers of the high court of chancery, with the said bill, and the resolution respecting the arms, accoutrements and military stores, furnished the United States, were sent to the senate by the clerk.

Mr. Dashiell, from the committee, delivers to the speaker a bill, entitled, An act authorising a lottery to raise a sum of money for the finishing Washington academy, in Somerset county, and for other purposes; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. M'Pherson, from the committee, delivers to the speaker a bill, entitled, An act for the regulation of officers fees; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

The bill to appoint John Done, John Dennis and George W. Jackson, of Somerset county, trustees for the sale of certain lands lying in Somerset county, the real estate of doctor Ezekiel Haynie, late of Somerset county, deceased, was read the second time, passed, and sent to the senate by the clerk.

On motion, the question was put, That the further consideration of the bill for the regulation of officers fees, be postponed until the next session of assembly? Determined in the negative.

Mr. Love has leave of absence.

The report on the memorial of the trustees of Charlotte Hall school was read the second time. ORDERED, That the said report be withdrawn for amendment.

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

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of Nathaniel Beall, of Montgomery county, report, that they have considered the same, and think it would be improper for the legislature to interfere in remitting fines or forfeitures in any cases where the executive have the authority, and as they have no evidence the case of the petitioner would have been relieved by the executive, had the application been made, they are therefore of opinion the prayer thereof ought not to be granted.

By order,

L. GASSAWAY, clk.

Which was read the first and second time and concurred with.

Mr. Nelson, from the committee, delivers to the speaker a bill, entitled, A further additional supplement to the act, entitled, An act for erecting a public school in Frederick county; 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 a bill, entitled, An act to incorporate the free and accepted ancient masons within the state of Maryland; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

On motion, ORDERED, That the said bill have a second reading on Saturday, the first day of January next.

The further additional supplement to the act, entitled, An act to direct descents, was read the second time, passed, and sent to the senate by the clerk.

The bill extending the equity jurisdiction of the county courts, was read the second time, and the question put, That the said bill do pass? Resolved in the affirmative, and sent to the senate by the clerk.

A petition from the securities of Dennis Griffith, praying a further indulgence may be granted them for the payment of a sum of money due from them to the state, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Dorsey, Mr. Hall and Mr. Chapman, to consider and report thereon.

A petition from Peregrine Briscoe, of Cæcil county, praying to be released from the nine per cent. interest on a debt due from him to the state, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Sheredine, Mr. Miller and Mr. Veazey, to consider and report thereon.

A petition from Philemon Hambleton Abell, of Talbot county, praying an act of insolvency, was preferred, read, and referred to the committee appointed on petitions of a similar nature.

The supplement to an act to incorporate a school in Allegany county, by the name of Allegany County School, was read the second time, and the question put, That the said bill do pass? Resolved in the affirmative.

Agreeably to the order of the day, the house took into consideration the resolution respecting the appointment of a director to the bank of Baltimore, and on motion, the question was put, That the house proceed to elect, by ballot, the said director? Resolved in the affirmative.

The ballots being deposited in the ballot box, the gentlemen named to strike retired, and after sometime returned and reported, that Edward Johnson had a majority of votes.

The resolution being then read throughout, the question was put, That the house assent thereto? Resolved in the affirmative.

A petition from Israel Reynolds, and others, counter to the petition of Andrew Gordon, of Cæcil county, was preferred, read, and referred to the committee appointed on the petition to which it is counter.

A petition