

T H U R S D A Y, December 30, 1802.

THE house met. Present the same members as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read. The bill authorising Nicholas Watkins, one of the late collectors of Anne-Arundel county, to complete his collections, the supplement to an act to incorporate a school in Allegany county, by the name of the Allegany County School, the bill requiring the register of wills of Baltimore county to give daily attendance at his office, and the message appointing conferrees to confer with those to be appointed by the senate respecting the assessment bill, were sent to the senate by the clerk.

Mr. Ridgely, from the committee, delivers to the speaker a bill, entitled, An act to open and make public a road from Norwood's ferry, on Patapsco river, to intersect the main road leading from Elk Ridge landing to the falls of Patapsco; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

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

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of John Sprigg Belt, Horatio Johnson, Charles Alexander Warfield, and others, securities of Dennis Griffith, report, that they have had the subject matter thereof under their consideration, and find, that a suit has been instituted against said securities for the recovery of the sum of one thousand pounds, loaned to said Griffith by the state of Maryland on the first day of May, 1793; that a resolution passed the general assembly at November session, 1800, suspending all further proceedings against the said securities, upon their paying the interest then due, and that which should accrue during said suspension; that the securities aforesaid have paid into the treasury the sum of £. 216 5 0, the amount of interest due on said original bond to the first of July last. Your committee are of opinion, that the security to the state for the repayment of the sum thus loaned to the said Griffith is fully sufficient, so as to bear no possible doubt but that the money will be received when demanded, although to insist on a discharge of the bond at this period would exceedingly distress the securities; they would therefore recommend the following resolution:

RESOLVED, That all further proceedings against the securities of Dennis Griffith be suspended until the first day of January, eighteen hundred and six, provided the said securities shall pay annually, during the said suspension, the interest accruing on the debt.

By order,

J. HARWOOD, clk.

Which was read.

Mr. Dickson, from the committee, delivers to the speaker a bill, entitled, An act to lay out a road in Anne-Arundel and Baltimore counties; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

A petition from Sarah Jones, of Anne-Arundel county, praying an act may pass authorising the levy court of said county to levy on the assessable property thereof a sum of money for her and her daughter Sarah Southern's support, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Hall, Mr. Dorsey and Mr. Merriken, to consider and report thereon.

The bill to authorise the laying out a public road from the widow Robinson's gate across Randall and Dobbin's mill dam, to intersect the Mountain road at or near the methodist meeting-house, was read the second time, passed, and sent to the senate by the clerk.

The bill to enlarge the powers of the commissioners of the town of Havre-de-Grace, was read the second time and passed with the following amendments.

After the word "commissioners" in the 15th line of the 2d page insert "except those relating to nuisances." After the word "state" in the 17th line of the same page strike out the remainder of the section.

The bill to enable the corporation of the city of Annapolis to lay a tax on property within the said city and the precincts thereof, and to repeal the act of assembly therein mentioned, was read the second time and passed.

A petition from Benjamin Hatcheson, of Kent county, praying a resolution may pass directing the treasurer of the eastern shore to make him an allowance for a sum of money, and also to give him and his securities further time for the payment of a balance due the state, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. A. Stuart, Mr. Nelson and Mr. Frisby, to consider and report thereon.

A petition from Joseph Boarman, of Raphael, of Charles county, praying an act of insolvency, was preferred, read, and referred to the committee appointed on petitions of a similar nature.

Mr. Dickson, from the committee, delivers to the speaker a bill, entitled, An act to incorporate the second presbyterian church in the city of Baltimore; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a bill directing the mode of paying the valuation of slaves and servants in cases of commutation of punishment by the governor. ORDERED, That Mr. Frisby, Mr. Goldsborough and Mr. Quinton, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

The resolution respecting the balances appearing due on loans heretofore made by the province of Maryland to the counties of Baltimore and Frederick, was read the second time and assented to.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a bill for the payment of the civil list, and for other purposes. ORDERED, That Mr. Montgomery, Mr. Nelson and Mr. P. Stuart, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

A petition from sundry inhabitants of the city of Baltimore, praying certain amendments may be made to the charter of the city aforesaid, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Dickson, Mr. Montgomery, Mr. Moore, Mr. Purviance and Mr. Ridgely, to consider and report thereon.