

A petition from sundry inhabitants of Somerset and Worcester counties, praying an act may pass to ascertain and establish the original location of the divisional road from Caldwell's mill to Cox's branch, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Wilson, Mr. Hyland and Mr. Carroll, to consider and report thereon.

A memorial from the representatives of the yearly meeting of friends, held in the city of Baltimore, praying an act may pass to prevent the inhuman traffic of transporting free men of colour who have a term of years to serve, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Dickson, Mr. Montgomery, Mr. Shaaff, Mr. Chapman, Mr. Van-Horn, Mr. Sheredine and Mr. T. Davis to consider and report thereon.

Petitions from Alexander Cathcart, of Cæcil county, David M·Clary, of Frederick county, James Bouchell, Thomas Cave and Caleb Greene, of the city of Baltimore, praying acts of insolvency, were preferred, read, and referred to the committee appointed on petitions of a similar nature.

A petition from sundry inhabitants of Frederick-town, and its vicinity, members of the German reformed presbyterian congregation of the town aforesaid, praying an act may pass vesting all the real property belonging to the said congregation in John Brunner, and others, the present elders, as trustees for the said congregation, and their successors, with power to lease, dispose of and convey, such part of the said property as the said congregation shall direct, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Clarke, Mr. Shaaff and Mr. Shriver, to consider and report thereon.

The bill authorising a lottery to raise a sum of money for the purpose of finishing a house of worship at Ephesus, in Cæcil county, was read the second time, passed, and sent to the senate by the clerk.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a bill to pay the civil list. ORDERED, That Mr. Montgomery, Mr. Sheredine and Mr. Shaaff, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

The report on the petition of Robert Polk, of Dorchester county, was read the second time, the resolution therein contained assented to, and sent to the senate by the clerk.

A petition from sundry inhabitants of the state, praying an act may pass for amending and keeping in repair the turnpike roads to and from the city of Baltimore, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Dugan, Mr. Shriver, Mr. Kershner, Mr. Ridgely, Mr. Mercer, Mr. Shaaff and Mr. Chapman, to consider and report thereon.

The clerk of the senate delivers a report from the trustees of Washington academy, endorsed; "By the senate, November 16, 1803: Read and referred to the consideration of the house of delegates.

"By order,

J. B. DUCKETT, clk."

Which was read.

Mr. Van-Horn, from the committee, delivers to the speaker a bill, entitled, An act for the valuation of real and personal property within this state; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

A memorial from the proprietors of the Susquehanna canal, praying an act may pass empowering them to receive half tolls, granted by the act of November session, 1799, was preferred, read, and referred to the committee appointed on the communications from governor M·Kean.

Mr. Clarke, from the committee, delivers to the speaker a bill, entitled, An act for the relief of Eleanor Marshall, of Frederick county; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Kemp, from the committee, delivers to the speaker a bill, entitled, An act to prevent swine going at large in the town of Emmitsburgh, and Shield's addition to said town, in Frederick county; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Clarke, from the committee, delivers to the speaker a bill, entitled, An act to authorise a lottery to raise a sum of money for the purpose of finishing the Roman catholic church in Frederick-town, in Frederick county; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a bill relating to distresses, and for the sale of goods taken by distress for rent, and for other purposes. ORDERED, That Mr. Ridgely, Mr. Sheredine and Mr. Van-Horn, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

A petition from Walter Dulany, of the state of Delaware, praying an act may pass authorising him to bring into this state two of his negroes, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Dickson, Mr. Shaaff and Mr. Van-Horn, to consider and report thereon.

A petition from Mary Lansdale, of Saint-Mary's county, praying an act may pass authorising her to sell certain tracts of land, devised by the will of Thomas Reeder to her two sons, William Henry Lansdale and Thomas Reeder Lansdale, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Hopewell, Mr. Chapman and Mr. W. Neale, to consider and report thereon.

Mr. M·Pherson, from the committee, delivers to the speaker the following report:

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of James Boarman, of Charles county, report, that they have had the same under their consideration, and believe the facts therein stated to be true; they are therefore of opinion, that as the petitioner has paid into the treasury the sum of four hundred and forty-two pounds seventeen shillings and six-pence, in consequence of his father having been security for Benjamin Cawood, former sheriff and collector of public taxes for Charles county, who is since insolvent, it would be reasonable and just to indulge the petitioner for the balance due until the first day of December, eighteen hundred and four; they therefore submit the following resolution:

RESOLVED, That all proceedings against James Boarman, and others, for the recovery of the balance due by him to the state of Maryland, be and they are hereby suspended until after the — day of —, eighteen hun-