

On motion, ORDERED, That the second reading of the bill for the valuation of real and personal property within this state, be postponed until Thursday next.

Mr. John Cottman, a delegate returned for Somerset county, Mr. Samuel Jones, a delegate returned for Charles county, and Mr. Matthew Keene, a delegate returned for Dorchester 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 their seats in the house.

A petition from Thomas Cockey Dyc, of Baltimore county, praying a resolution may pass directing the auditor to state his account against the state, and directing the treasurer to pay whatever may be found due thereon, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Lemmon, Mr. Ridgely, Mr. Montgomery, Mr. Cottman and Mr. Van-Horn, to consider and report thereon.

A petition from Edward Norwood, of Baltimore county, praying an act may pass authorising the court of appeals to reinstate a certain cause which was heretofore depending in said court between the said Edward Norwood and Charles Ridgely and wife's lessee, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Harwood, Mr. Shaaff, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Dashiell and Mr. Bayly, to consider and report thereon.

Petitions from Charles Rogers, Fordom Pease and Hiel Peck, 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. Thomas, from the committee, delivers to the speaker a bill, entitled, A supplement to an act, entitled, An act to establish and regulate a market at Bridge town, in Kent county, and for other purposes therein mentioned; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

A petition from sundry inhabitants of various religious denominations in the city of Baltimore, praying an act may pass authorising them to extend chains across the streets during the hours of divine service on Sundays in the neighbourhood of their respective places of worship, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Dugan, Mr. Dickson, Mr. Brown, Mr. Lemmon and Mr. Alexander, to consider and report thereon.

Mr. Van-Horn, from the committee, delivers to the speaker a bill, entitled, An act to regulate and discipline the militia of this state; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

A petition from sundry inhabitants of the city of Baltimore, members of the sect of people called Jews, praying that the incapacities which they now labour under, agreeably to the constitution and laws of this state, may be removed, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Dickson, Mr. Jones, Mr. Clarke, Mr. Miller, Mr. Stuart, Mr. Dashiell and Mr. Lowrey, to consider and report thereon.

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

F R I D A Y, November 25, 1803.

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

The bill to open a road from the town of Emmitsburgh, in Frederick county, to Caldwell's lane on the Pennsylvania line, was read the second time, passed, and sent to the senate by the clerk.

Petitions from Maximilian Huesler, of Baltimore county, James Johnson, of Harford county, George Dent, of Allegany county, and Philip T. Briscoe, of Charles county, praying acts of insolvency, were preferred, read, and referred to the committee appointed on petitions of a similar nature.

The bill authorising the levy court of Cæcil county to lay out and open a road in said county, was read the second time, passed, and sent to the senate by the clerk.

The amendment to the bill to lay out and streighten a certain road in Baltimore county, was read the second time, agreed to, and the bill ordered to be engrossed.

The following resolution being propounded to the house, was read.

Whereas it appears that Charles Lecompte, of Dorchester county, became the purchaser of lots No. 12 and 13 of the Indian lands sold in the said county by the agent of the state; that the surveyor, in calculating the contents of lot No. 13, stated that it contained the quantity of three hundred and seventeen acres of land, in consideration whereof, the said Charles Lecompte passed his bond to the state for the payment of the purchase money therefor, at the rate of three pounds and six-pence per acre: And whereas it appears that an error was made in the calculation of the contents of the survey of the said lot No. 13, which has since been revised and corrected by the examiner-general of the western shore, who hath certified that the said survey contains no more than two hundred and ninety-one and an half acres of land: And whereas the said Charles Lecompte hath paid into the treasury of the western shore the whole amount of the purchase money, with the interest due thereon, for the said land, with an allowance for the error in the calculation aforesaid; RESOLVED, That the treasurer of the western shore be and he is hereby directed to endorse upon the bond given by the said Charles Lecompte a credit for the deficiency of twenty-five and an half acres of land, at the rate of three pounds and six-pence per acre, and to deliver up the said bond to the said Charles Lecompte, or order, to be cancelled; and that the chancellor be and he is hereby authorised and empowered to execute a deed to the said Charles Lecompte for the said lands, according to the terms of sale.

The bill authorising commissioners to lay out a private road for Richard Mercier, of Baltimore county, was read the second time, and on motion, the question was put, That the said bill be withdrawn? Resolved in the affirmative.