

A petition from David Stewart, former sheriff of Anne-Arundel county, praying to be released from the interest on a sum of money due from him to the state, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Harwood, Mr. Clarke, Mr. Hall, Mr. Mercer and Mr. Linthicum, to consider and report thereon.

A petition from John Savin, of Cæcil county, praying an act of insolvency, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Veazey, Mr. Sheredine and Mr. Hyland, to consider and report thereon.

Mr. Lowrey, from the committee, delivers to the speaker a bill, entitled, An act for erecting buildings for the use of the poor of Queen-Anne's county; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

The bill authorising James Wilson, late sheriff and collector of Baltimore county, to complete his collection, was read the second time, passed, and sent to the senate by the clerk.

RESOLVED, That the committee of claims be and they are hereby requested to procure, for the use of the legislature, six copies of the acts of assembly since Kilty's laws, bound in leather.

RESOLVED, That the printer of this state be directed to procure annually, six copies of the laws of each session as they pass, and have the same bound, for the use of the legislature, and that the committee of claims allow him for the same.

Mr. Purnell, from the committee, delivers to the speaker a bill, entitled, An act to authorise and empower the levy court of Worcester county to levy annually a sum of money for the support of Aaron Foskey, Betsy Foskey, Thomas Foskey, junior, and Abigail Foskey, children of Thomas Foskey; which was read the first and second time by especial order, passed, and sent to the senate by the clerk.

The supplement to an act, entitled, An act authorising the trustees of Charlotte-Hall school to lay off a town in Saint-Mary's county by the name of Charlotte's-Ville, and to dispose of the lots therein by lottery, was read the second time, passed, and sent to the senate by the clerk.

Mr. Thomas, from the committee, delivers to the speaker a bill, entitled, An act to repeal the third section of an act, entitled, An act to make public the proceedings of the levy courts of the several counties of this state, and to repeal part of an act of assembly therein mentioned; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Swearingen, from the committee, delivers to the speaker a bill, entitled, An act for the relief of Caleb Summers, of Montgomery county; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

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

RESOLVED, That if the proprietors of the Susquehanna canal have, on their part, complied with the terms imposed on them by the third section of the act of assembly, entitled, A further supplement to the act, entitled, An act for making the river Susquehanna navigable from the line of this state to tide water, it is expedient that the legislature of this state carry into effect the provisions of the said act, in such manner and upon such terms as are expressed and contained in the said third section; and that ——— be and are hereby appointed a committee to inquire and ascertain whether the said proprietors have, on their part, complied with the terms prescribed by the said section, and to make report thereof to this legislature.

On motion, the question was put, That the house dispense with the sixteenth rule thereof? Determined in the negative.

A petition from James Clerk, and others, of Prince-George's county, praying an act may pass to change the names of their children from that of Clerk to Clerk Lee, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Van-Horn, Mr. Calvert and Mr. Hyland, to consider and report thereon.

On motion, ORDERED, That Mr. T. Davis and Mr. Gantt be added to the committee appointed on the petition of Patrick McGill, of Anne-Arundel county.

The bill to repeal an act, entitled, An act to restrain the ill practices used by sheriffs in taking goods by fieri facias and selling them by venditioni exponas, was read the second time, passed, and sent to the senate by the clerk.

RESOLVED, That the members of this general assembly wear scarfs and bands, during the remainder of this session, in respect to the memory of Peter Wood, who died this day at the seat of government, where he was attending in order to the discharge of his duty as a member of the house of delegates from Prince-George's county, and that the funeral expences be placed on the journal of accounts.

Mr. Dorsey appeared in the house.

The house resumed the consideration of the bill for making navigable the river Susquehanna, and, on motion, the question was put, That the said bill be recommitted for amendment? Resolved in the affirmative.

The clerk of the senate delivers the supplement to an act, entitled, An act relating to the public roads in Queen-Anne's county, endorsed; "By the senate, December 2, 1803: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

" By order, J. B. DUCKETT, clk.

" By the senate, December 6, 1803: Read the second time and will pass with the proposed amendments.

" By order, J. B. DUCKETT, clk."

Which amendments were read.

On motion, ORDERED, That the bill for the encouragement of learning in the several counties of this state therein mentioned, have a second reading on Wednesday next.