

Whereas it is represented to this general assembly, that negro Dick, the slave of John Parker, late of Prince-George's county, the father of the present petitioner, was tried and convicted for felony at a county court held for Prince-George's county, at June term, seventeen hundred and eighty-six, and was by the said court sentenced to be hanged, and was valued at the sum of one hundred and twenty pounds current money, which said negro Dick was afterwards pardoned by the governor, upon the condition of transportation; and it appearing that neither the said John Parker, in his life-time, or this petitioner, since his death, have received any compensation for said negro, therefore, **RESOLVED**, That the treasurer of the western shore pay to the said Marsham Parker, or order, the sum of one hundred and twenty pounds current money, the valuation of the said negro Dick.

By order,

L. GASSAWAY, clk.

Which was read.

The following message being agreed to, was sent to the senate by the clerk.

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, December 21, 1805.

GENTLEMEN OF THE SENATE,

WE return you the resolutions which were passed by us in favour of James Boarman and William Gardiner, of Charles county, under an expectation that on a reconsideration of them, which we solicit, you will assent to the same. As the funds of the state are amply sufficient, we conceive, to justify an indulgence to her debtors, where the debt is well secured, we think the unfortunate situation of those persons who are indebted by their friendship in becoming securities for others, will recommend them to a further continuance of that lenity from the state by which they have been saved heretofore from entire ruin; we therefore hope that the senate will grant the indulgence contemplated in the resolutions respectively.

By order,

J. BREWER, clk.

A petition from John Dawson, and others, of Caroline county, praying a law may pass authorising him to build a bridge over Choptank river, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Turpin, Mr. Holbrook, Mr. Montgomery, Mr. Ward and Mr. Bayard, to consider and report thereon.

ORDERED, That the bill to alter, change and abolish, all such parts of the constitution and form of government as establish religious tests as a qualification for civil offices, have a second reading on Monday next.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a bill, entitled, An act to alter the road therein mentioned. **ORDERED**, That Mr. Montgomery, Mr. Harryman and Mr. Forwood, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

The supplement to an act, entitled, An act to incorporate a company to make a turnpike road to lead from the cross roads near Richard Caton's limekiln, in Baltimore county, nearly in the direction of Jones's Falls, to the city of Baltimore, was read the second time and passed.

The house adjourns until Monday morning 9 o'clock.

M O N D A Y, December 23, 1805.

THE house met. Present the same members as on Saturday, except Mr. Ennalls and Mr. Denny. The proceedings of Saturday were read.

A petition from Rebecca Dennis, of Montgomery county, praying to be supported out of the poor-house, was preferred, read, and referred to the committee appointed on the petition of John Randall.

The bill to alter and change the name of William Santee, of Harford county, to the name of Carlen, the bill to appoint Elizabeth Crabb and Richard Orme, of Montgomery county, trustees for locating and transferring certain lands lying in Montgomery county, part of the real estate of the late Jeremiah Crabb, deceased, and the supplement to an act, entitled, An act to prevent the exportation of flour not merchantable, and unsound salted provisions, from the port of Havre-de-Grace, were read the second time, passed, and, with the supplement to an act, entitled, An act to make a turnpike road to lead from the cross roads near Richard Caton's limekiln, in Baltimore county, nearly in the direction of Jones's Falls to the city of Baltimore, were sent to the senate by the clerk.

Mr. Stephen, from the committee, delivers to the speaker a bill, entitled, An act to alter and change the name of Elizabeth Sower, of the city of Baltimore, to that of Elizabeth Lamott; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

Petitions from Charles Rogers and Benjamin D. Galpin, of the city of Baltimore, and Daniel Parker, of Dorchester county, praying acts of insolvency, were preferred, read, and referred to the committee appointed on petitions of a similar nature.

A petition from Daniel Sheredine, of Cecil county, praying to be released from a suit brought against him as security for Letitia Crookshanks, as administratrix of John Crookshanks, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Montgomery, Mr. Porter and Mr. Moffit, to consider and report thereon.

A petition from Jacob Schnebly, late collector of Washington county, praying a further time to complete his collections, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Bowles, Mr. Smith and Mr. Yates, to consider and report thereon.