

On motion, the question was put, That the further consideration of the said bill be postponed until Friday next? Resolved in the affirmative.

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

W E D N E S D A Y, December 17, 1806.

**T**HE house met. Present the same members as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a bill, entitled, A supplement to an act, entitled, An act authorising Thomas Bailey, late sheriff and collector of Baltimore county, to complete his collection, and for other purposes. ORDERED, That Mr. Winder, Mr. Little and Mr. Aisquith, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

The bill to compel justices of the peace to take cognizance of persons retailing spirituous liquors without licence in the recess of court, and for other purposes, was read the second time, passed, and sent to the senate by the clerk.

Mr. Winder, from the committee, delivers to the speaker a bill, entitled, A supplement to an act, entitled, An act authorising Thomas Bailey, late sheriff and collector of Baltimore county, to complete his collection, and for other purposes; which was read the first and second time by especial order, passed, and sent to the senate by the clerk.

On motion, the question was put, That the consideration of the bill to punish blasphemers, swearers, drunkards and sabbath breakers, and for repealing the laws heretofore made for the punishing such offenders, be referred to the first day of June next? The yeas and nays being required, appeared as follow:

A F F I R M A T I V E.

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| <b>Members</b> | Hebb,       | Reynolds,  | Dickinson, | Jackson, | Mitchell, | J. Brown, | Hawkins, | Aisquith, |
|                | Gardiner,   | P. Stuart, | Martin,    | King,    | Hall,     | Bishop,   | Street,  | Bowles,   |
|                | Blakistone, | Parnham,   | Gale,      | Frazier, | Woodward, | White,    | Forwood, | Schnebly, |
|                | Williams,   | Matherson, | Winder,    | Cox,     | Sudler,   | Dashiell, | Davis,   | Darne.    |

N E G A T I V E.

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| <b>Members</b> | W. H. Brown,  | Little,   | Denny, | Dennis, | Biggs,  | Bayard, | Watts, | Briscoe, |
|                | Merriken,     | M. Brown, | Smoot, | Moffit, | Waters, | Keene,  | Sell,  | Beali,   |
|                | C. D. Hodges, | Harryman, | Ward,  | Downes, | Bond,   | Jump,   | Bruce, | Rizer.   |

So it was resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Aisquith, from the committee, delivers to the speaker a bill, entitled, An act authorising the extension of the Falls turnpike road towards the line of the state of Pennsylvania; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

ORDERED, That the same have a second reading on Tuesday next.

ORDERED, That the bill authorising the state under certain restrictions to become a stockholder in the Chesapeake and Delaware canal, have a second reading on Saturday next.

The house proceeded to the second reading of the report of the committee on the memorial of the commissioners to superintend the erection of a penitentiary, and, on progression, the question was put, That the blank in the resolution therein contained be filled up with the words "fifty thousand?" Determined in the negative.

The question was then put, That the further consideration of the same be postponed? Resolved in the affirmative.

A petition from Samuel Welsh, of Baltimore county, praying a special act of insolvency, was preferred, read, and referred to the committee appointed on petitions of a similar nature.

A petition from sundry inhabitants of Anne-Arundel, Montgomery and Prince-George's counties, praying that a bridge may be erected across Patuxent river at or near the mill of John Crow, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Hall, Mr. Darne, Mr. Woodward, Mr. C. D. Hodges and Mr. Belt, to consider and report thereon.

Mr. Harryman, from the committee, delivers to the speaker a bill, entitled, An act annulling the marriage of William Booth and Jane Booth; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

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

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of George Fitzhugh, of Baltimore county, state, that they have taken the same into consideration, and are of opinion that the prayer of the petitioner is reasonable and just, and ought to be granted, the petitioner having established, to the satisfaction of the committee, the several allegations contained in his petition; they therefore beg leave to submit the following resolution:

RESOLVED, That the treasurer of the western shore be and he is hereby authorised and required to pay to George Fitzhugh, of Baltimore county, or his order, the sum of —, out of any unappropriated money in the treasury.

All which is submitted.

By order,

J. S. SKINNER, clk.

Which was read.

Mr. R. Stuart, from the committee, delivers to the speaker a bill, entitled, An act for the relief of the sheriffs of the several counties of this state; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.