

conduct of the said Zebulon Hollingsworth and Thomas Jones, and that they be commanded to bring with them such minutes of the proceedings of Harford and Baltimore county courts, as will shew the number of days the said judges have attended in said courts since their appointment to office.

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

F R I D A Y, November 23, 1810.

THE house met. Present the same members as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read. The message appointing a committee to examine engrossed bills, and the resolution in favour of Mountjoy Bayly, were sent to the senate.

Mr. Bland delivers a bill, entitled, An act for the benefit of Alexander M'Kinzie and John M'Kinzie; which was read.

On motion by Mr. Frazier, Leave given to bring in a bill, entitled, An act to alter and abolish all such parts of the constitution and form of government which make the clerks of the court of appeals, the clerks of the county courts and the register of wills, removable alone for misbehaviour on conviction in a court of law. ORDERED. That Mr. Frazier, Mr. Archer, Mr. Bland, Mr. Stewart and Mr. Herbert, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

Mr. Emory delivers a petition from Anne Kerr, and others, of Queen-Anne's county, praying that a contract made by the said Anne Kerr, formerly Anne Beck, may be annulled; which was read and referred to Mr. Emory, Mr. P. Blake and Mr. Miers.

Mr. Warfield delivers a petition from Thomas Woodfield, of Anne-Arundel county, praying for a sale of the real estate of Joshua Hall, for the benefit of his infant children; which was read and referred to Mr. Warfield, Mr. Belt and Mr. Hall.

On motion by Mr. Stevens, ORDERED, That the bill for the valuation of real and personal property in this state, have a second reading on the 28th instant.

The bill to make valid a deed from Arthur Woolford, to James Laird, of Somerset county, was read the second time, passed, and sent to the senate.

The bill to reduce the per diem of the judges and clerks of elections in Allegany county, was read the second time, and the question put, Shall the said bill pass? The yeas and nays being required, appeared as follow:

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

Neale	Belt	Randall	Frazier	F Hall	Burgess	Jump	Abram Jones
Barber	Marriott	Spencer	Stewart	Herbert	Handy	T Hall	Hilleary
Gardiner	R Hall	Jackson	Moffitt	Mackubin	T Williams	Downey	Perry
C Hall	Warfield	Arnold Jones	Physick	Boyle	Quinton	W Williams	J Bayard
Harris	Rogerson	Dennis	Groome	Miers	Archer	Owen	A Browne
Comegys	M'Pherson	Eccleston	Cross	Emory	Willis	Gaither	
			N E G A T I V E.				
Stevens	Bowie	Schley	Brooke	Swearingen	Cockey	Davis	Bowles
Wainwright							

So it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the bill sent to the senate.

Mr. Marriott delivers the following report:

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of Gassaway Watkins, of Anne-Arundel county, report, that they have had the same under consideration, and are satisfied, from the most ample testimony, that the petitioner served his country in the Maryland line during the revolutionary war, as an officer of distinguished merit, in a manner highly honourable to himself, and truly characteristic of the American soldier and patriot; they therefore submit the following resolution:

RESOLVED, That the treasurer of the western shore be and he is hereby directed to pay, annually, in quarterly payments, unto Gassaway Watkins, late a captain in the Maryland line of the revolutionary war, or to his order, a sum of money equal to the half pay of a captain, as a further reward to those meritorious services rendered his country in securing her liberty and independence.

By order,

L. C. GASSAWAY, clk.

Which was read.

The report on the petition of Henry Leeke was read the second time, the resolution therein contained assented to, and sent to the senate.

Mr. M'Pherson delivers the following report:

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of William Bruce, of Charles county, report, that they have taken the same into consideration, and find, from the documents accompanying the same, that he served in the Maryland line from the commencement of the revolutionary war to the end thereof, and that he was a brave and meritorious officer; they are therefore of opinion, that from his infirmities and old age, and having a wife and a numerous offspring, it will be humanity in the legislature to afford him the relief prayed for; they therefore submit the following resolution:

RESOLVED. That the treasurer of the western shore be and he is hereby directed to pay unto William Bruce, late a captain in the Maryland line during the revolutionary army, or to his order, a sum of money annually, in