

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

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of Catharine Dimmett, praying a divorce from her husband, a vinculo matrimonii, report, that they have taken the same into consideration, and are of opinion the prayer of the petitioner is unreasonable, and ought not to be granted, and that she have leave to withdraw her said petition.

By order,

L. GASSAWAY, clk.

Which was read the first and second time by especial order and concurred with.

Mr. Comegys, from the committee, delivers to the speaker a bill, entitled, A supplement to an act, entitled, An act for the speedy recovery of small debts out of court, and to repeal the acts of assembly therein mentioned; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

ORDERED, That the same have a second reading on the 10th instant.

The clerk of the senate delivers the following message:

By the S E N A T E, December 3, 1806.

*Gentlemen of the House of Delegates,*

WE concur with your proposition, and are ready to proceed immediately to the election of two directors to the Union Bank of Maryland.

By order,

T. ROGERS, clk.

Which was read.

The house proceeded to ballot for two directors on the part of this state, for the ensuing year, in the Union Bank of Maryland; the ballots being deposited in the ballot box, the gentlemen named to strike retired, and after sometime returned and reported, that Thomas Dickson and Alexander Rogers were elected. Whereupon

RESOLVED, That Thomas Dickson and Alexander Rogers be, and they are hereby declared to be, directors on the part of this-state, for the ensuing year, in the Union Bank of Maryland.

Mr. Mitchell, from the committee, delivers to the speaker a bill, entitled, An act authorising the state, under certain restrictions, to become a stockholder in the Chesapeake and Delaware canal; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

On motion, ORDERED, That the bill supplementary to an act to provide for the organization and regulation of the courts of common law in this state, and for the administration of justice therein, be recommitted for amendment.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a bill, entitled, An act to punish blasphemers, swearers, drunkards and sabbath-breakers, and for repealing the laws heretofore made for the punishing such offenders. ORDERED, That Mr. Biggs, Mr. Waters, Mr. Comegys, Mr. Smoot and Mr. Ward, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

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

T H U R S D A Y, December 4, 1806.

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

A petition from Henry Peters, of the city of Baltimore, praying to be divorced from his wife, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Aisquith, Mr. R. Steuart and Mr. Little, to consider and report thereon.

A petition from John C. Bond, of Harford county, praying to be released from the additional nine per cent. imposed by law, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Street, Mr. Forwood and Mr. Gale, to consider and report thereon.

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

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of Nicholas Leaman, of Frederick county, report, that they have taken the same into consideration, and are of opinion that the prayer of the petitioner ought to be granted; the committee therefore submit the following resolution:

RESOLVED, That the clerk of Frederick county court be and he is hereby directed and required to alter and erase out the name of Jacob Leaman, and insert Nicholas Leaman, throughout a deed executed by Andrew Weigert the twentieth day of May, in the year seventeen hundred and ninety-one, for a lot of ground lying in the town of Westminster, in Frederick county, known and distinguished by lot No. 26, and recorded the 18th day of July, seventeen hundred and ninety-one, in Liber W R, No. 10, fol. 125 and 126, one of the land records of Frederick county, and that he alter and correct the record book in which the said deed hath been recorded, and the error therein corrected as aforesaid; provided, that such alteration shall in no degree affect, or be construed to affect, the right and title which any other person or persons shall or may have acquired of, in and to, the said lot, or any part thereof, prior to the passage of this resolution, but that all such rights shall be of the same avail as if this resolution had never passed, any thing herein contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

By order,

D. L. JACOB, clk.

Which was read.

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

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of James Laurence, a seaman on board the schooner Dolphin during the revolutionary war, beg leave to report, that they have taken the same into consideration, and