

A petition from sundry inhabitants of Frederick county, praying that the road from New-Market to George Miscoape's blacksmith's shop may be widened and straightened, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. J. H. Thomas, Mr. Sappington and Mr. Baer, to consider and report thereon.

The bill for the relief of John Garner, of Charles county, was read the second time, passed, and sent to the senate by the clerk.

A petition from Nathaniel Rochester, late sheriff and collector of Washington county, praying further time to complete his collections, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Bowles, Mr. Tilghman and Mr. Downey, to consider and report thereon.

Mr. J. Thomas, from the committee, delivers to the speaker a bill, entitled, An act annulling the marriage therein mentioned, being supplementary to an act, entitled, An act for the relief of Mary Gwinn, of Frederick county; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

A petition from the vestry of the German evangelic lutheran congregation in and about Elizabeth-town, at Saint-John's church, in Washington county, praying a supplement to the law passed last session authorising a lottery for the benefit of said church, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Downey, Mr. Bowles and Mr. Tilghman, to consider and report thereon.

Mr. Bowles, from the committee, delivers to the speaker a bill, entitled, An act authorising Nathaniel Rochester, late sheriff and collector of Washington county, to complete his collections; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

A petition from Jacob Gettig, of the city of Baltimore, praying that the judges of Baltimore county may be authorised to release him from his debts without the assent of two thirds of his creditors, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Bland, Mr. R. Stuart and Mr. Stansbury, to consider and report thereon.

Mr. Belt, from the committee, delivers to the speaker a bill, entitled, An act for the relief of Mary Connerly, of Anne Arundel county; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a bill, entitled, A further supplement to the act for regulating the mode of staying executions, and repealing the acts of assembly therein mentioned, and for other purposes. ORDERED, That Mr. Dorsey, Mr. Tilghman, Mr. Chapman, Mr. Sanders and Mr. Herbert, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a bill, entitled, An act to reduce the per diem of the judges and clerks of elections in Allegany county. ORDERED, That Mr. M. Mahon, Mr. Tomlinson and Mr. Hilleary, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

Mr. Downey, from the committee, delivers to the speaker a bill, entitled, A supplement to an act authorising a lottery to raise a sum of money for the purpose of finishing the steeple of Saint-John's church, in Elizabeth-town, in Washington county, and for other purposes; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Dorsey, from the committee, delivers to the speaker a bill, entitled, A further supplement to the act, entitled, An act for regulating the mode of staying executions, and repealing the acts of assembly therein mentioned, and for other purposes; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a bill, entitled, An act to alter such parts of the constitution and form of government of this state as relate to voters and qualifications of voters. ORDERED, That Mr. Seth, Mr. Bland, Mr. J. H. Thomas, Mr. Spencer and Mr. Boyle, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

Mr. Dorsey, from the committee, delivers to the speaker the following message:

By the HOUSE of DELEGATES, November 22, 1808.

*Gentlemen of the Senate,*

YOUR message of the 21st instant highly merits, and has justly obtained, our most respectful attention, and our most serious consideration; and could we, consistently with our ideas of the impressive duty we owe to our constituents, we would willingly accede to your proposition of proceeding to the election of a senator to represent this state in the senate of the United States; but persuaded as we are that the interest of the republic would be greatly advanced by a reference of this momentous subject to the consideration of the next general assembly, we are unwilling at this time to proceed to the election, the event of which will be obviously of such extensive and lasting importance.

Which was read.

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

W E D N E S D A Y, November 23, 1808.

THE house met. Present the same members as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read: Mr. Wilson appears in the house.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a bill, entitled, An act to abolish all such parts of the constitution and form of government of this state as relate to the mode of filling up vacancies in the senate. ORDERED, That Mr. Young, Mr. Dorsey, Mr. Mitchell, Mr. Beall and Mr. Sanders, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.