

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

The bill to authorise Thomas Pearson, late collector of Caroline county, to complete his collections, was read the second time and passed.

Mr. Pigman delivers a bill, entitled, An act for the relief of William Dougherty of Frederick county; which was read.

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

FRIDAY, December 12, 1817.

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

The bill to authorise Thomas Pearson late collector of Caroline county, to complete his collections; the bill to authorise Robert C. Baynard to convey the lands therein mentioned; the bill to authorise Henry Ashton to make sale of certain slaves; the bill to prevent a secession from going at large in the town of Hancock, Washington county; the bill to settle the salary of the members of the council for the ensuing year; the bill to authorise and require the trustees of the poor of Queen Anne's county to convey the land therein mentioned; the bill authorising a lottery for raising a sum of money for the purpose therein mentioned; the bill for the benefit of the German Lutheran Congregation in Frederick Town in Frederick county; the resolution in favour of James Hood, and the message relative to bank directors, were sent to the senate.

Mr. Price delivers a memorial from sundry inhabitants of Baltimore county praying for a repeal of the act to enlarge the bounds of Baltimore city; which was read and referred to Messrs. Wilson, Kell, Lecompte, Price and W. R. Stewart.

On motion by Mr. Blakistone the following message was read, agreed to, and sent to the senate:

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, December 12, 1817.

Gentlemen of the Senate,

This house having appointed the Reverend Mr. Fechtig to perform divine service every morning at the hour of meeting, we would concur in any arrangement which might be thought advisable for an interchange of services between the Reverend Mr. Fechtig and the Reverend gentleman appointed by your honourable body.

By order,

L. GASSAWAY, Clk.

The house proceeded to the second reading of the bill, entitled, An act to repeal all such parts of the act passed at March session seventeen hundred and seventy-four, as require the imprisonment of insolvent debtors, and on motion by Mr. Kennedy, the bill was recommitted to the committee who reported the bill for amendment, and the committee was enlarged by the addition of Mr. Wilson.

Mr. Kell delivers a petition from sundry inhabitants of the city of Baltimore, praying for a law authorising a lottery to raise a sum of money for the purpose of erecting a hospital in or near the city of Baltimore, to be called *The Maryland Foundling Hospital*; which was read and referred to Messrs. Kell, Johnson and Wilson.

Mr. Semmes from the committee of elections and privileges delivers the following report:

The committee of elections and privileges report, That they have inspected the returns of the judges of elections for the several counties, and for the city of Baltimore, and of the mayor and aldermen of the city of Annapolis, and find that by the said returns the following persons are elected, declared, and duly returned, as members of the house of delegates, to wit: For Saint Mary's county, Mordecai C. Jones, Henry Watts, Gerard N. Causin, and Thomas Blackistone, Esquires. For Kent county, William Knight, John B. Eccleston, George Neale and Thomas B. Hynson, Esquires. For Anne Arundel county, Rezin Estep, Charles Steuart, Thomas H. Dorsey, and Roderick Dorsey, Esquires. For Calvert county, Benjamin Gray, Gustavus Weems, Richard Grahame, and Samuel Turner, Esquires. For Charles county, Nicholas Stonestreet, Henry Brawner, Junior, Robert Garner, and Daniel Jenifer, Esquires. For Baltimore county, Abraham H. Price, Adam Showers, John B. Snowden, and Thomas Johnson, Esquires. For Talbot county, Daniel Martin, Samuel Stevens Junior, James Nabb, and Samuel Tenant, Esquires. For Somerset county, Thomas K. Carroll, Henry K. Long, James Murray, and Hampden Haynie, Esquires. For Dorchester county, Benjamin W. Lecompte, Edward Griffith, Thomas Pitt, and Henry Keene, Esquires. For Cecil county, Matthew Pearce, Levi Tyson, Philip Thomas, and James Beard, Esquires. For Prince-George's county, William D. Digges, James Somerville, George Semmes, and Samuel Claggett, Esquires. For the city of Annapolis, Dennis Claude and John Stephen, Esquires. For Queen Anne's county, Kensey Harrison, William R. Stuart, Joshua Massey, and James Roberts, Esquires. For Worcester county, Ephraim K. Wilson, Robert I. H. Handy, John P. M. Henry, and William Tingle, Junior, Esquires. For Frederick county, Thomas Hawkins, Bean S. Pigman, William Downey, and George Buckey, Esquires. For Harford county, Samuel Bradford, Charles S. Sewall, James Steel, and James G. Davis, Esquires. For Caroline county, Frederick Holbrook, Nathan Whitby, Thomas Saulsbury, and William Whitely, Esquires. For the city of Baltimore, Thomas Kell and Edward G. Woodyear, Esquires. For Washington county, Henry Sweitzer, William Yates, Jacob Schnebly, and Thomas Kennedy, Esquires. For Montgomery county, Ephraim Gaither, George C. Washington, Benjamin S. Forrest, and Ezekiah Linthicum, Esquires. For Allegany county, James D. Cresap, Joseph Tomlinson, John Scott, and James Tidball, Esquires. All which is submitted.

By order,

R. PINDELL, Clk.

Which was read.

Mr. Semmes delivers a petition from Nathaniel Downing, a revolutionary soldier, praying compensation for his services; which was read and referred to Messrs. Semmes, Digges and Somerville.

Mr. Bradford delivers a bill, entitled, An act to authorise Elizabeth A. G. Stevenson to retain in this state as a slave a certain negro girl therein mentioned; which was read the first and second time by special order and passed.

Mr. Pigman delivers a petition from the mayor, aldermen, and common council of Frederick, praying for a law authorising a lottery to raise a sum of money for the purpose of purchasing fire engines; which was read and referred to Messrs. Pigman, Hawkins and Downie.

The bill to confirm an act passed at December session eighteen hundred and sixteen, entitled, An act to alter, change and repeal, all such parts of the constitution and form of government of this state, as relate to the division of Prince George's county into election districts, was read the second time and passed.

On motion by Mr. Kell, Leave given to bring in a bill, entitled, An act to alter such part of the constitution and form of government as relates to the representation of the city of Baltimore, and to allow two