

"By the senate, December 24, 1799: Read the second time and will not pass.

"By order, A. VAN-HORN, clk."

And the bill directing the mode of executing conveyances of lots in the city of Washington sold by David Burnes in his life-time, and for other purposes, endorsed; "By the senate, December 12, 1799: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

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The house adjourns till Thursday morning 9 o'clock.

T H U R S D A Y, December 26, 1799.

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

The resolution in favour of James Steele, and others, the bill to establish the salaries of the judges of the court of appeals, and the bill, entitled, A further supplement to an act, entitled, An act to ascertain the allowance to jurymen and witnesses of the general court, and the several county and orphan courts in this state, were sent to the senate by the clerk.

The bill to authorize and empower the levy court of Anne-Arundel county to assess and levy a sum of money for the support of Elizabeth Tyers, was read the second time, passed, and sent to the senate by the clerk.

The bill to open a road from the turnpike road leading towards M-Callister's-town at or near the widow Mortar's tavern, to intersect the York turnpike road at or near Benedict Hurst's tavern, was read the second time, passed, and sent to the senate by the clerk.

A petition from John Whiteford, of Harford county, praying a return of money, an over payment made into the treasury for confiscated property, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Street, Mr. M-Comas and Mr. Bond, to consider and report thereon.

A petition from Elizabeth Prestley, of the city of Annapolis, praying compensation for services rendered to a number of sick soldiers during the late war, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Hall, Mr. Quynn and Mr. Mason, to consider and report thereon.

A petition from Thomas Nicholls, of Montgomery county, praying an act of insolvency, was preferred, read, and referred to the committee appointed on petitions of a similar nature.

A petition from sundry inhabitants of Allegany county, praying they may be authorized to lay out a road from John Kemberley's, thence continuing the same by Walter Brooke Beatt's plantation until it intersects the road leading from Cumberland to Evan Gwinn's, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Tomlinson, Mr. Perry and Mr. Beall, to consider and report thereon.

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

THE committee to whom was referred the memorial of Benjamin Ricketts, of Anne-Arundel county, praying compensation for the loss he sustained by the death of his negro Caesar, beg leave to report, that they have taken the same into consideration, and the matters therein stated appearing to be true, are of opinion the prayer of the memorialist is reasonable, and ought to be granted; they have also inquired into the value of the said negro, and submit the propriety of the following resolution:

RESOLVED, That the sum of _____ dollars be placed on the journal of accounts, and the same be directed to be paid to Benjamin Ricketts, or his order, as compensation for the loss the said Benjamin Ricketts did sustain by the death of his negro Caesar, who died in custody of the law, and in prison.

By order,

R. K. WATTS, clk.

Which was read.

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

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of the members of the Lutheran congregation of Frederick-town, in Frederick county, and others, report, that they have taken the same into consideration, and are of opinion that the prayer thereof is reasonable, and ought to be granted.

By order,

L. GASSAWAY, clk.

Which was read the first and second time, concurred with, and leave given to bring in a bill pursuant thereto. ORDERED, That the committee appointed on the said petition prepare and bring in the same.

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

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of Philip Reed, of Kent county, beg leave to report, that they have considered the same, and are of opinion that the prayer thereof is reasonable, and ought to be granted; they therefore submit the propriety of the following resolution:

RESOLVED, That Philip Reed, of Kent county, be and is hereby released from the payment of forty-two pounds sixteen shillings and eleven-pence, the amount of a judgment rendered against him, the said Philip Reed, at April term, seventeen hundred and ninety-four, at the suit of the state; and all costs which have accrued thereon.

By order,

J. S. BETTON, clk.

Which was read.

The report on the representation of the adjutant-general was read the second time, and the resolution therein contained assented to, and sent to the senate by the clerk.