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HOUSE OF DELEGATES.

Monday, Jan. 22, 1844.

The resolution in relation to the commissioners of the several counties, providing a suitable room in the court house for the surveyor of the county, was sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Potter, leave was granted Messrs. Potter, Johnson, Murray, Hollyday and McKaig, to bring in a bill to make "seduction" a criminal offence.

Tuesday Jan. 23, 1844.

On motion of Mr. Johnson, leave was granted the committee on grievances and courts of justice, to bring in a bill entitled, an act for the law in civil cases.

On motion of Mr. Smith, leave was granted the committoe on retrenchment to bring in a bill to regulate the itinerant charges of members of the General Assembly of Maryland and the officers thereof.

On motion of Mr. Phelps, the house proceeded to consider the order of the day, being the bill reported by Mr. Ligon entitled, an act so to change the Constitution and Form of Government of this State, as to change Howard District of Anne Arundel county, into a county, to be called Howard county.

Mr. Kilgour moved to postpone said bill until Thursday next, the 25th inst.; determined in the negative.

The bill having been read through, Mr. Johnson moved to amend said bill by striking out in the 3rd line second section the words "and one Senator"—determined in the negative.

On motion of Mr. Johnson, the yeas and nays were ordered as follows:

Affirmative—Messrs. Watson, Speaker Causin, Thomas of St. Mary's, Hopewell, Spencer, Hollyday, Johnson, Warfield, Dalrymple, Lankford, Waters of Somerset, Philips, Phelps, Purnell, Yellott, Franklin, Hearn, Cathell, Hopkins, Naill, Polk, Potter, Mcknett, Levering, Curly, Trundle, Kilgour, Griffith and Smith—29.

Negative—Messrs. Murray, Thomas of Anne Arundel, Ligon, Allnutt, Reeder, Carroll, jr., Stansbury of Baltimore county, Welsh, Arringdale, Thomas of Talbot, Stewart, Dail, Lackland, Owen, Harris, Calvert, Wootten, Temples, Stephenson, Shriver, Keene, Mann, Weber, Hollman, Waters of Montgomery, McKaig, Hammill, Fitzpatrick, Shaw, Stull and Powder—31.

Mr. Stewart moved to amend said bill by striking out in the second section, second line, the word "three," and inserting in lieu thereof "two."

Mr. Yellott moved to lay said bill on the table—determined in the negative.

The question then recurred and was put, on the question of Mr. Stewart, to strike out "three," and insert "two;"—determined in the negative.

On motion of Mr. Waters of Montgomery, the yeas and nays were ordered, as follows:

Affirmative—Messrs. Thomas of St. Mary's, Hopewell, Hollyday, Dalrymple, Lankford, Waters of Somerset, Philips, Stewart, Dail, Phelps, Lackland, Harris, Purnell, Hearn, Franklin, Cathell, Yellott, Potter, McKnett, Trundle, Kilgour, Griffith, Waters of Montgomery, Smith and McKaig—25.

Negative—Messrs. Watson, Speaker, Causin, Thomas of Anne Arundel, Ligon, Johnson, Warfield, Allnutt, Reeder, Carroll, jr., Stansbury of Baltimore co., Welsh, Arringdale, Thomas of Talbot, Owen, Calvert, Wootten, Temple, Naill, Shriver, Polk, Hopkins, Keene, Curley, Stephenson, Levering, Mann, Hollman, Weber, Hammill, Fitzpatrick, Murray, Shaw, Stull and Powder—34.

So the amendment was rejected.

Mr. Kilgour then moved to amend the bill by striking out all after the enacting clause of the bill, and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

"That St. Mary's shall be entitled to two members, Kent county shall be entitled to two members, Anne Arundel county shall be entitled to three members, Calvert county shall be entitled to two members, Charles county shall be entitled to two members, Talbot county shall be entitled to two members, Baltimore county shall be entitled to four members, Somerset county shall be entitled to three members, Queen Anne's county shall be entitled to two members, Dorchester county shall be entitled to three members, Cecil county shall be entitled to three members, Worcester county shall be entitled to three members, Prince George's county shall be entitled to three members, Harford county shall be entitled to three members, Frederick county shall be entitled to four members, Caroline county shall be entitled to two members, Baltimore city shall be entitled to four members, Allegany county shall be entitled to three members. Carroll county shall be entitled to three members, Washington county shall be entitled to four members, Montgomery county shall be entitled to three members, and Howard county shall be entitled to two members.

Section 6. And be it enacted, That at the election which shall take place in the year eighteen hundred and forty-eight, and not before, Howard county shall be entitled to elect one Senator, who shall be classed with the Senators then to be elected."

Mr. Kilgour moved that said bill and amendment be postponed until Thursday next, 25th instant, and the amendment printed—resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Ligon then offered as an additional section to the original bill, the following:

Section 6. "And be it enacted, That nothing herein contained, shall be construed so as to abridge the term of the present Senator from Anne Arundel county, or to affect in any manner his right to serve out the term for which he has been already elected"—read and ordered to be printed.

On motion of Mr. Wootten the house took up for consideration the bill reported by him for the completion of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal to Cumberland, and for other purposes.

On motion of Mr. Phelps, said bill was made the order of the day for Monday week next, 5th of February.

The Speaker also laid before the House, a report of said clerk, relative to monies paid by him into the Treasury of the State, within the year ending on the 30th of November—read and referred.

Wednesday, Jan. 24, 1844.

On motion of Mr. Potter, ordered, that hereafter, for the convenience of the members of the Legislature, it shall be the duty of the Armorer to raise the Flag upon the cupola of the capitol, during the sitting of this house, and that it be done without compensation.

Resolved, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the Treasurer pay to Edward Stabler of Montgomery county, or to his order, the sum of one hundred and fifty two dollars, for furnishing a seal for the Western Shore Land Office, under the authority of the Chancellor, as judge thereof.

Mr. Levering submitted a preamble and the following resolutions—which were read the first time and laid on the table.

Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the whole subject of our Indian relations calls for the prompt attention of the Congress of the U. States, in which body alone is lodged the power, and where the wisdom doubtless exists, to adjudge and decide what is best to be done in the premises; and the General Assembly do hereby further state, that in their opinion, that the best and most effectual plan to preserve and elevate, dignify and enlighten the character and improve the condition of the remnants of the Indian tribes, to whose country through much suffering on their part we have succeeded, would be to adopt them as members of the great family of the great family of the American Union, under the following form: First, of territorial relations in all respects such as exist (for example,) between the U. States and the territories of Iowa and Ousconsin, giving to the Indians the same title to and in the soil of the country to which they have by our policy been removed; guarded as in the wisdom of Congress may be deemed best and most expedient to prevent impositions upon the Indian proprietors.—with the prospective privilege under the appropriate and constitutional provisions of being admitted into the Union.

Resolved, That in the opinion of the General Assembly of the State of Maryland, the principal tribes now embodied in what is called the "Indian Territory," south and west of Arkansas and Missouri are already qualified to appreciate and profit by those resolutions.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions with the preamble, be transmitted to the Senators and Representatives of this State in the Congress of the U. States, as containing the deliberately formed views of the Legislature of Maryland, and that their attention be and is hereby called to the consideration of the whole subject of our Indian relations, with the view of securing the protection, civilization and elevation in the scale of their being, of the remnants of the aboriginal race of our country.

On motion of Mr. McKaig, the House took up for consideration the bill from the Senate entitled 'an act relating to courts of Chancery;'

Mr. McKaig moved to amend said bill by adding at the end thereof as an additional section the following:

"Sec. 4. And be it enacted, That from and after the passage of this act, the clerks of the several county courts of this State, and of Howard District, be and they are hereby authorised and empowered to approve bonds of injunction in all cases of injunction to stay proceedings at law, to stay waste and in all other cases where injunctions may be granted, in the same manner as the chancellor or any judge, or county court, acting as a court of equity, are now authorised by existing laws.

Mr. Johnson moved also to amend said bill by adding as a further additional section the following:

"Sec. 5. And be it enacted, That all appeals from orders of the court of chancery, or of county courts in equity, finally ratifying sales, shall be prayed within thirty days after the passing of such orders; and shall be heard and determined at the first term of the Court of Appeals, next after such appeal shall be prayed, or at the session of the court of Appeals holding at the time of the prayer of said appeal if the transcript of the cause shall be transmitted in time to allow full hearing and determination during said session."

On motion of Mr. Causin, said bill and amendments were recommitted to the committee on grievances and courts of justice. The House adjourned.

Saturday, Jan. 27th, 1844.

Leave was granted Messrs. Kilgour, Waters, of Montgomery, Griffith and Trundle, to bring in a bill to authorise Henry Harding, administrator of Thomas F. W. Vinson, late Sheriff and Collector of Montgomery county, to complete his collections.

Mr. Chiselin, chairman of the same committee, to which was referred the petition of sundry citizens of Montgomery county, praying for purposes therein contained, made a report unfavorably thereon;

Mr. Chapman, (seconded by two other members that voted in the majority,) moved to reconsider the vote of the House, upon the bill entitled, an act so to change the Constitution and Form of Government of this State, as to change Howard District of Anne Arundel county, into a county to be called Howard county;

On the question being put,

"Will the House reconsider their vote?"

It was resolved in the affirmative.

On motion of Mr. Kilgour,

The yeas and nays were ordered and appeared as follows:

AFFIRMATIVE. — Messrs. Watson, (Speaker,) Causin, Hopewell, Murray, Thomas, of Anne Arundel, Johnson, Chapman, Reeder, Carroll, jr., Stansbury, of Baltimore county, Poulney, Stewart, Dail, Owen, Chiselin, Yellott, Hopkins, Curley, Levering, Stansbury, jr., of Baltimore city, Boteler, Hollman, McKaig, Hammill, Smith, Fitzpatrick, Ecker and Stull—28.

NEGATIVE.—Messrs. Thomas, of St. Mary's, Hollyday, Arringdale, Lankford, Waters, of Somerset, Phillips, Chaplin, Cropper, Harrison, Earickson, Purnell, Hearn, Franklin, Cathell, Buckey, Lynch, Thomas of Frederick, Potter, McKnett, Carey, Mann, Weber, Trundle, Kilgour and Waters, of Montgomery.—25.

So the House reconsidered their vote.

Mr Kilgour from the select committee, reported a bill entitled, an act to authorise Henry Harding, administrator of Thomas F. W. Vinson, late Sheriff and Collector of Montgomery county, to complete his collections.

Rebellious Movement in Harford.—It is well known that there is a party in Harford county, in this state, who are openly opposed to the payment of taxes, and that their organ in that county, the Bell-Air Republican, has for some time past had for the motto of its editorial head the shameless and wicked declaration comprised in the words "NO TAXES." It would appear that a practical application of the principle thus avowed has recently been made, to the subversion of the law by open violence. We learn by a letter from a gentleman residing in Harford county that a rebellious attempt was made in one of the districts of that county last week, which proved effectual, to prevent the Tax Collector from selling the property of a man who had repeatedly refused to pay his taxes. Passing over the remarks contained in the letter in relation to certain individuals named therein, who are said to be at the bottom of the affair, we give the writer's account of this disgraceful occurrence in his own words:

"*A* few days ago, when the Collector attempted to sell some property in the infected district, he was forcibly stopped. Written notices were stuck up, threatening violence to any one who should dare to bid. The Collector attempted to do his duty, and a resolute individual bid for the property. A mob of some fifty men immediately rushed upon him, and the cry was—"*Kill him, kill him, kill him!*" One attempted to dash out his brains with a large stone, and another to strike at him with a bludgeon. He managed to escape, and was chased off the ground. The Collector dared not attempt to perform his duty, and the law is now set at defiance and a portion of Harford is in open rebellion. I understand that application has been made to the *E*xecutive for the protection of an armed force."—*Balt. Amer.*

MEXICO.—It seems that the Mexican government has ordered all American citizens to leave California, and has declined to explain to our minister at Mexico the reasons for this proceeding.—Does Santa Anna seek a war with the United States? Our minister having demanded an explanation, and given a limited number of days in which to receive it, will, we hope, should none be made, pack up "bag and baggage" and leave the country. We should not covet war even with so feeble a power as Mexico, but we would not submit to insult an injury. We see no reason why citizens of the United States, more than other foreigners, should be expelled from California, or from any other portion of the Mexican territory. Perhaps the minister at Washington can give an explanation of the proceeding.

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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 1844.

Rockville, Md.

FOR PRESIDENT,

HENRY CLAY,

OF KENTUCKY.

FOR CONGRESS,

JOHN M. S. CAUSIN,

Of St. Mary's County.

Election takes place on the 14th of Feb.

WHIG PRINCIPLES.

1. A SOUND NATIONAL CURRENCY, regulated by the will and authority of the nation.
2. An adequate REVENUE, with fair PROTECTION TO AMERICAN INDUSTRY.
3. JUST RESTRAINTS ON THE EXECUTIVE POWER, embracing a further restriction on the exercise of the VETO.
4. A faithful administration of the public Domain, with an equitable DISTRIBUTION OF THE PROCEEDS of the sales of it among all the States.
5. An HONEST and ECONOMICAL administration of the General Government, leaving public officers perfect freedom of thought and of the right of suffrage, but with suitable restraints against improper interference in election.
6. An amendment to the Constitution, limiting the incumbent of the Presidential office to a SINGLE TERM.

WHIGS ATTEND!

We are requested to say that *JOHN M. S. CAUSIN*, Esq., the Whig candidate for Congress in this district, will address the voters of this county, at Rockville, on *TUESDAY NEXT*, the 6th of February instant. We hope the meeting will be well attended by people from all portions of the county.

☞Alexander Kilgour, Esq., of the House of Delegates, will accept our thanks for valuable documents &c.

THE NOMINATION.—We learn from the Delegates who were in attendance at the Convention, which assembled at Bladensburg, on Tuesday last, that JOHN M. S. CAUSIN, Esq., of St. Mary's county, was nominated as the Whig candidate for Congress, for the first Congressional district, composed of Montgomery, Prince George's, Charles, Calvert, St. Mary's and Anne Arundel (proper.)—Thomas Alexander, Esq., was chairman of the convention; and the whole proceedings were conducted with propriety and order; much to the satisfaction of the large number of delegates and visitors in attendance.

The nomination of John M. S. Causin, who is now, and has been for years, a delegate of the Legislature of this state, is fortunate, not only for the people of this district, but for the state; as he is a man of unquestionable talents & a sound thoroughgoing Whig from the start.—There is no whipping the devil round the stump with him;—he is open and candid in his professions and actions: will go for Whig principles and has the talent to sustain the dignity of the state on the floor of the House of Representatives, and to sustain and advance her interest in all questions where argument and reasoning will be required.

We are happy to observe that some of our politicians, who have *laid low* for the last few years, when their exertions were needed, are now wide awake and ready to give their valuable aid in behalf of the Whig cause. Dogs that "whip in" unfairly at a fox-chase are generally killed.

Gen. WM. H. MARRIOTT declines being classed among those among whom the selection of a Focofoco candidate for Governor is to be made. Also, James M. Buchanan.

CONGRESSIONAL NOMINATIONS.—The Whigs of the second Congressional district of Maryland have nominated Francis J. Brengle, Esq., of Frederick, as their candidate for Congress; and the Locofocos of the same district have nominated John T. Mason, Esq.

JOHN BROWN FRANCIS (whig) has been elected to represent Rhode Island in the United States Senate, in place of Mr. Sprague, resigned.

The Frederick Examiner seems to doubt the statement made by us a week or two since, respecting a remarkable child *with whiskers!* Although we have not seen this wonderful prodigy, we can vouch for the truth of our statement from the facts we have gathered from respectable gentlemen who have seen it, as well as the attending physician. Instead of exaggeration the description given us, we fell far short of the real truth. The child, which is now four weeks old, healthy and likely to live, has not only whiskers on both sides of its face, nearly meeting under the chin and as long and as thick as any dandy would be proud of having, but its forehead, back, shoulders and breast is completely coated with hair as thick as lambs wool. As remarkable as this may seem, the facts are as we have stated them. The child is to be christened Esau Bushrod. This is the age of improvement—therefore the Examiner should not be so incredulous because Frederick county cannot vie with us in this improvement.

From the Baltimore Sun.

ITEMS OF NEWS.

A railway to the moon will no longer be considered a joke; for, says a London paper, we read in the last Jamaica papers, that a bill was in progress before the House of Assembly there, for "a railway between Kingston and Spanish Town, and from thence to the *Angels*."——Mr. Henshaw is still officiating as Secretary of the Navy, and will do so some time longer. It is said that his own wish is to retire at once, but that at the President's earnest request he remains.——Gov. Briggs is attending temperance meetings in Massachusetts, making speeches, &c. He has long been an ardent advocate of the temperance cause.——A rumor is current in the fashionable circles that N. P. Willis, Esq., will shortly appear before a New York audience to deliver a lecture on "Fashion."——Professor Maffit, attended by a bevy of the most beautiful young ladies residing in the eastern section of New York, is holding a fair in the basement of the Methodist Episcopal Church corner of Madison and Catharine streets.——They talk of converting the the Park theatre, New York, into a church. They had better *convert* its audience first.——The Mormons, through Jo Smith, have addressed a letter to J. C. Calhoun, and because he declines promising to do the world and all for them, have repudiated the idea of their voting for him, if he be nominated to the Presidency.——The Petersburg (Va.) Intelligencer says that there is not a single person confined in the jail of that place, which speaks well for the morality of a town containing $13,000 inhabitants.——The number of steamboats built on all the western waters, in 1843, as we learn from an accurate register kept in Louisville, was 100.——The Burlington (Iowa) Hawkeye states that a lady attended church at Du Buque, on Christmas day, who is one hundred and seventeen years of age.——The Legislature of South Carolina adjourned on the 19th inst., after a sessien of 20 days.——A law has been passed in Maine subjecting rail roads to taxation as real estate, in towns through which they pass. The rail road companies oppose the payment, and appear to be disposed to contest the constitutionality of the law.——Some citizens of Boonville, Mo., have procured a number of Buffaloes, and it is their intention to exhibit them in Baltimore, during the continuance of the Whig National Convention to assemble here.——The Niagara Chronicle states that the belligerent factions on the Welland Canal have concluded on an armistice, agreeing to give up all their arms, amounting to 700 stand.——A man named David Stintsman was killed on the National Road, near Smithfield, last week, by the upsetting of a stage which he was driving—the passengers escaped with a few bruises.——The seventh attempt to elect a Representative to Congress from the 3d district of Massachusetts, will be made on Monday next.—All these parties are still in the field. Every American paper which now goes into Canada, is charged with four cents postage.——Several seizures of goods have been made by the night inspectors recently appointed by Mr. Rantoul, the collector of the port of Boston.——The Portland Argus announces the death of Hon. Edward Cavanagh, who deceased at his residence in New Castle, on Sunday, 21st inst., aged 48 years.——The steamboat Valley Forge left Pittsburg on the 14th of December last, with a cargo for New Orleans, part of which was a lot of casks; and on the 17th inst. she was back again at Pittsburg, with 500 of those casks, filled with New Orleans molasses.—Andrew Walker, a German, was killed in New York on Wednesday, by falling from the roof of a house.——The New Orleans Herald says that Mr. Calhoun has written a letter, avowing to support Mr. Van Buren for President.——Some of the railroad companies in Maine refuse to pay the tax assessed upon their roads, under an act of last Legislature.——The bridge across Vernon river, at Mt. Vernon, O., was destroyed by fire on the morning of the 17th. Supposed to have been set on fire——Louis Philippe has dismissed eight mayors of communes for attending the levees of the Duke of Bordeaux, at Belgrave square.——Sir Chas. Napier states that from regiments, in which flogging had been tried in vain, intoxication was completely banished by subjecting every drunken soldier to fever treatment, i. e., blistering and bread and water diet.——Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Kean realized £900 by a visit to Dublin.——Out of every 100 children born in Manchester, 57 die before they reach five years of age—and in Liverpool 54½. It is believed that a considerable portion of these deaths arise from causes which might be prevented by efficient sanitary regulations.——The most powerful sovereign in the world is said to be only four feet and eight inches high. "Little Vic." of course. Prince Albert is five feet ten.——There is a young lady in Liverpool, who is only nineteen years of age, but who has already crossed the Atlantic twenty-eight times.——The Legislature of Alabama have memorialized Congress in favor of the annexation of Texas to the Union.——A bill has been reported in the General Assembly of Rhode Island, for the security of the rights of property of married women.——A young lady was burnt to death in Charleston, last week, from the accidental taking fire of her dress while standing before the parlor fire place. Three thousand pounds were recently collected in Glasgow, in one day, for the great league fund.——An honest farmer in the south part of Massachusetts, talking about his crops, &c., was told that he must trust in Providence for them. "I don't know," said he, "I have been to Providence, and I have been to Boston, and I think I'd rather trust Boston."——A drayman named Daniel Bourne lost his life at Wheeling, on Monday last, by the breaking of his reins, precipitating him on the iron pin of his dray, which entered his side about six inches.——In Green county, Ohio, on the 6th inst., an old man named Isaac Moore, with his son, had some difficulty about a horse, with John Parson, when the latter knocked them down with a club, killing the old man, and dangerously injuring the son.——Bishop McIlvaine has been eminently successful in collecting funds in the Eastern States, to aid the Episcopal college and Seminary at Gambier, Ohio. The collections are said to have reached about $20,000, and by the application of these means, the mortgage upon the College property has been cancelled.——One hundred and seventy thousand chests of tea were imported from Canton to the United States within the year ending June 1st, 1840——The German population is increasing with wonderful rapidity in the United States. It is estimated that there are three millions in this country, and that not less than fifty newspapers are published in the German language.——The Harrisburg Advocate publishes a letter from Hon. Thomas M. T. M'Kennan, of Washington, in which he states that on the subject of the Vice Presidency, he is passive in the hands of his friends—they can use his name or not, as they see fit.——A young Arab, recently sent from Algiers to Paris, for his education, bears the euphonious name of Sid-Mahi-el-Din oulid-cid-Allal-Oulid-Embarek.——Master A. Harvey, a boy under 9 years of age, has been lecturing on astronomy at Bath, England, and, it is said, with great success.——The pall-bearers at Commodore Porter's funeral were Commodores Baron, Biddle and Elliott, and Generals Patterson, Cadwallader and Hubbell.——We learn from the Norfolk Beacon of Thursday that a Naval General Court Martial has been ordered to convene on board the U. S. ship Pennsylvania on the 5th of February next.——Twenty prisoners recently escaped from the penitentiary at Jefferson city, Missouri, by knocking down the doorkeeper during divine service. Nineteen of them were overtaken and conveyed back in safety.——The Speaker of the House of Representatives at Washington has declined to grant Rev. Joshua Leavitt, of the Boston Emancipator, a seat on the floor of the House, with the other reporters.——Suicide is so common in France, it is said, that one man has put a placard on his garden wall: "All persons are forbidden to commit suicide on these premises.——Mr. Galliardet, the editor of the New York Courier Des Etats Unis, has had conferred upon him by Louis Phillippe, the cross of the Legion of Honor.——It is estimated that about 2,000 persons in Missouri are preparing to emigrate to Oregon territory next spring.——Joseph W. Saunders has been arrested and held to bail by the N. Y. commissioner in N. York, for attempting to make a revolt on board the ship Patrick Henry on her recent voyage to Liverpool.——Gen'l. Joseph Duncan, ex-Governor of Illinois, and formerly representative in Congress from that State, died on the 15th inst., at his residence in Jacksonville, Illinois.——A little daughter of Mrs. Turner, at Blackwoodtown, N. J., was shot dead on Thursday, by the accidental discharge of a gun, in the hands of her son, aged