

On motion by Mr. Sewell, the 22d section was stricken out, to wit:

'Sec. 22. And be it enacted, That if the mayor and city council of Baltimore shall, within two years from and after the passage hereof, call a convention, as prescribed in the act, entitled, An act to provide for making the Baltimore canal; and if the said convention and the mayor and city council shall assent to and adopt the said act within two years, the faith of the state is hereby pledged to advance towards the execution of the work, in the said act mentioned, the sum of five hundred thousand dollars; provided, that the executive shall previously have full evidence that the said city hath raised and appropriated to that purpose, a sum of money, which, with the said five hundred thousand dollars, will be adequate to the completion of the said work; and provided, that in proportion to the capital so invested, that tolls and other emoluments of the said canal shall be secured to the state; and provided, that the subscriptions herein before authorised to the Chesapeake and Ohio canal, and to the Maryland canal companies, shall have been made, and be binding and operative.

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'Sec. 23. And be it enacted, That whenever the mayor and city council of Baltimore shall certify to the executive, their renunciation of the rights and privileges granted by the aforesaid act, entitled, An act to provide for making the Baltimore canal, and of the pledge given in the foregoing section of this act, the treasurer of the western shore shall be, and he is hereby authorised and required to negotiate a loan of one hundred thousand dollars, at a rate of interest not exceeding six per cent. per annum, reimbursable at the pleasure of the state, and to place the same at the disposal and order of the said mayor and city council, to be by them laid out and expended in the improvement of the navigation and trade of the Susquehanna, in such manner as they shall deem most expedient.

On motion by Mr. Sewell, the following was inserted in lieu thereof:

And be it enacted, That if at any time hereafter, a company shall be formed for the purpose of making a canal from the city of Baltimore to York Haven, on the river Susquehannah, of the dimensions contemplated in the report of the commissioners to survey, the practicability and probable expense of a canal from the river Susquehannah to the city of Baltimore, the faith of the state is hereby pledged to grant a charter to such company, with all and singular the rights, privileges and advantages, as are granted to the company created by this act, to extend the canal from the Potomac to the city of Baltimore, called the Maryland Canal, and the faith of the state is also hereby pledged to subscribe for stock in said company, to the amount of five hundred thousand dollars; provided that such subscription shall not be made until the executive of this state, for the time being, shall be satisfied, that with the amount so to be subscribed on the part of the state, the whole sum necessary to the completion of the said canal, hath been actually subscribed by bona fide and competent subscribers.

On motion by Mr. Turner, the question was put, That the following be added to the bill: Provided nevertheless, that nothing contained in this act shall be construed to be in force until the first day of March next.

The yeas and nays being required appeared as follow:

AFFIRMATIVE.

Messrs. Welch

Ennalls

Stevens