

praying for an act of incorporation for the purpose of establishing a cotton factory; read and referred to Messrs. Purviance, Worthington and J. P. Kennedy.

The report in favor of Leonard M. Deakins and John Hoyer, was read the second time, and the question put, that the house assent to the same? The yeas and nays being required, appeared as follow;

AFFIRMATIVE.

Messrs. Speaker, Millard, Stone, Massey, Hodges, Linthicum, Howard, Skinner, Rogerson, Garner, Stansbury, Orrick, Loockerman, Lloyd, Martin, Teackle, Byus, Willis, Sheredine, Parker, Cosden, Semmes, Culver, Hughes, Carroll, Pratt, Slemaker, Franklin, H. Kemp, Fisher, Allen, Boon, Saulsbury, Purviance, Keller, Galloway, Kilgour, Williams, A. Lee, Duvall, Greenwell, Hoffman, Pollard, Tomlinson—44.

NEGATIVE—Messrs. Ireland, Dalrymple, Smith, T. Kemp, Jones, Steele, Hooper, Gerry, Wootton, Roberts, Meconiken, Riley, Norris, Chauncey, Casson, Douglass, T. Kennedy—17.
Resolved in the affirmative and the resolution sent to the senate.

On motion by Mr. Keller, the following order was read and assented to:

Ordered, That a committee of seven be appointed by the speaker to enquire into the expediency and propriety of repealing all laws directing the punishment of criminals by a confinement in the penitentiary of this state, and also of abolishing the said institution, and suggesting some other mode of punishment; by authorising the courts of law to sentence criminals to labor on public highways, or other internal improvements, and that said committee have leave to report by bill or otherwise. The speaker appointed Messrs. Keller, Semmes, Millard, Farquhar, Stonestreet, A. Lee and Dalrymple, to be the said committee.

On motion by Mr. Millard, the question was put, that the name of "Anthony Davis," be stricken out of the unfavorable report made by the committee on pensions and revolutionary claims. Determined in the negative.

Mr. Purviance presents a memorial from Everiste Maury, suggesting the propriety of the state lending pecuniary aid for the improvement of agriculture; read and referred to Messrs. Purviance, A. Lee and T. Kennedy.

The clerk of the senate delivers the bill for the relief of Levin Sturgess, and the bill regulating fences in Cecil county, endorsed, "will pass," and the bills ordered to be engrossed.

The bill for the benefit of the Rockville and Barn's town Roman Catholic congregation, in Montgomery county, was read the second time. On motion by Mr. Thomas Kennedy, the question was put, that the same be referred to the next general assembly? Determined in the negative.

The question was then put, shall the said bill pass? The yeas and nays being required, appeared as follow:

AFFIRMATIVE—Messrs. Millard, G. Leigh, Stone, Maddox, Cannell, Massey, Hodges, Estep, Linthicum, Howard, Stonestreet, Garner, Stansbury, Orrick, Johnson, Steele, Byus, Willis, Hooper, Semmes, Wootton, Meconiken, Franklin, H. Kemp, Thomas, Worthington, Farquhar, Fisher, Chauncey, Boon, Purviance, Drury, Kilgour, Williams, A. Lee, Duvall, Greenwell, Hoffman.—38.

NEGATIVE—Messrs. Speaker, Ireland, Dalrymple, Smith, Skinner, Loockerman, Lloyd, Jones, Teackle, Dennis, Sheredine, Parker, Gerry, Cosden, Culver, Hughes, Carroll, Roberts, Slemaker, Riley, Norris, Casson, Saulsbury, Douglass, J. P. Kennedy, T. Kennedy, Galloway, Tomlinson.—28. Resolved in the affirmative, and the bill sent to the senate.

On motion by Mr. John P. Kennedy, leave given to bring in a bill entitled, An act to explain an act entitled, A supplement to an act entitled, An act to provide for the opening and extension of Pratt street in the city of Baltimore. Ordered, that Messrs. John P. Kennedy, Purviance and T. Kennedy, report the same.

On motion by Mr. Teackle, leave given to bring in a bill entitled, An act for the relief of William Gory King and Thomas Delphy. Ordered, that Messrs. Teackle, Jones and Dennis, report the same.

Mr. Estep reports a bill entitled, An act for the revaluation of real and personal property in Anne Arundel county, and Mr. Purviance reports a bill entitled, An act for the relief of John W. Berry, of the city of Baltimore; which were read.

Mr. Purviance presents a memorial from Robert Smith, counter to the petition on the subject of opening Pratt street; which were read.

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

THURSDAY, JANUARY 30, 1823.

The House met. Present the same members as on yesterday, except Mr. Spence. The proceedings of yesterday were read,

Mr. Teackle delivers the following report:

The committee appointed to devise a plan of public instruction, to consider the important interests of husbandry and manufactures, and to suggest the proper sources of revenue to sustain the charges of the desired system, beg leave to report a bill entitled, An act to provide for the public instruction of youth throughout this state.

And your committee, without indulging a disposition to impinge the prerogative, or to trench upon privileges of any appointment of this honorable house, with due submission will suggest, as proper to sustain the desired system, the following sources of revenue:

1. Private sales of foreign produce and manufactures;
2. Commissions to sell at auction;
3. Sales at auction;
4. Commissions to sell lottery tickets;
5. Lotteries;
6. Law process;
7. Chancery process;
8. Seals;
9. Pleasure carriages made out of the state;
10. Billiard tables;