

scribed in the stock of the bank of Baltimore, to which stock the state of Maryland have a right reserved to subscribe a number of shares.

On motion by Mr. Millard, leave given to bring in a bill, entitled, An act for the payment of the journal of accounts. Ordered, that Messrs. Millard, Stone and Fisher report the same.

On motion by Mr. Estep, the following message was read, assented to, and with the bill therein mentioned sent to the senate.

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, February 18, 1823.

*Gentlemen of the Senate*—We return you the bill, entitled, A supplement to the act, entitled, An additional supplement to the act, entitled, An act to regulate public ferries, and respectfully ask a reconsideration of the same. We are persuaded, that when you reflect on the impropriety of continuing to a body of men, a part only of whom reside in Anne-Arundel county, and all of whom may in a few years be residents of other counties, the power of laying taxes on Anne-Arundel county, that you will not hesitate to pass the bill. We ask a reconsideration of this bill with more confidence, as we find that your honorable body, since the rejection of it, have passed a similar law for other counties.

By order, J. BREWER, Clk.

Mr. Roberts delivers the following report:

The committee to whom was referred the petition of William Robinson, of Queen-Anne's county, beg leave to report,—

That they have had the same under consideration, and are of opinion that ample provision for his claims, already exists in the laws now in force, consequently it is deemed unnecessary to report a bill, and that the petitioner have leave to withdraw his petition.

Which was twice read and concurred with. By order, ISAAC HINES, Clk.

The bill incorporating a company to introduce a copious supply of water into the town of Emmittsburgh, in Frederick county; was read the second time.

On motion by Mr. Teackle, the question was put, that the following be added to the bill.

"And be it enacted, That in the event of defalcation the stockholders of this corporation, for the time being, shall be answerable, in their separate characters, for all debts due therefrom?" Determined in the negative.

The bill was then passed and sent to the senate.

The house resumed the consideration of the supplement to an act, entitled, An act to incorporate a company for the purpose of cutting and making a canal between the river Delaware and the Chesapeake bay.

On motion by Mr. Parker, the question was put, that the word "Delaware," be stricken out of the preamble for the purpose of inserting "Pennsylvania?" Resolved in the affirmative.

On motion by Mr. Parker, the words "three hundred shares" were stricken out, and the words "three hundred and fifty shares" was inserted after the word "Pennsylvania."

On motion by Mr. Parker, the proviso, declaring that the said act is not to be construed so as to repeal or impair the act so far as it relates to the commonwealth of Pennsylvania, was stricken out and the following inserted in lieu thereof:

*Provided always*, That the treasurer of this state shall not be authorised to subscribe as above directed, until subscriptions to the amount of \$225,000, shall be obtained in addition to the amount authorised to be subscribed for by the state of Delaware? Resolved in the affirmative.

On motion by Mr. Purviance, the question was put, that the said bill 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, Ireland, Massey, Hodges, Dalrymple, Smith, Skinner, Stonestreet, Edelen, Rogerson, Garner, Lockerman, Lloyd, Martin, Jones, Teackle, Dennis, Steele, Byus, Willis, Hooper, Sheridine, Parker, Gerry, Cosden, Hughes, Carroll, Roberts, Meconiken, Wright, Slemaker, Riley, Franklin, Thomas, Farquhar, Chauncey, Whiteford, Boon, Saulsbury, Douglass, Keller, Galloway, Williams, A. Lee—47.

NEGATIVE.—Messrs. Speaker, Estep, Linthicum, Howard, Stansbury, Worthington, H. Kemp, Fisher, Norris, Allen, J. P. Kennedy, Purviance, T. Kennedy, Drury, Duvall, Greenwell, Hoffman, Tomlinson—18. Resolved in the affirmative, and the bill sent to the senate.

The clerk of the senate delivers a bill, entitled, An act to authorise the establishment of an additional warehouse in the city of Baltimore for the inspection of tobacco, endorsed "will pass;" which was read.

The bill to authorise John Spear Smith, of the city of Baltimore, to import certain slaves into this state, endorsed "will pass." Ordered to be engrossed.

The bill for the relief of George W. Bailey, of the city of Baltimore, endorsed "will pass with the proposed amendment;" which was assented to, and the bill ordered to be engrossed.

The house according to the order of the day, proceeded to the second reading of the bill to alter and amend the constitution so that members of the senate may be hereafter elected immediately by the people.

On motion by Mr. Duvall, the question was put, that the same be referred to the first of June next? The yeas and nays being required appeared as follow:

AFFIRMATIVE.—Messrs. Speaker, G. Leigh, Stone, Maddox, Estep, Linthicum, Dalrymple, Smith, Skinner, Stonestreet, Rogerson, Jones, Dennis, Steele, Byus, Carroll, Meconiken, Wright, Riley, Franklin, H. Kemp, Thomas, Farquhar, Fisher, J. P. Kennedy, Purviance, T. Kennedy, Drury, Keller, Galloway, Williams, A. Lee, Duvall, Tomlinson.—34.

NEGATIVE.—Messrs. Ireland, Massey, Hodges, Howard, Edelen, Garner, Johnson, Worthington, Lockerman, Lloyd, Martin, Teackle, Willis, Hooper, Sheridine, Parker, Gerry,