

The bill to alter and change that part of the constitution and form of government, as relative to the election of four delegates from each county, was read the second time; Mr. Stansbury called for the previous question, and it was put, that is, shall the main question be now put? Determined in the negative. The question was then put, shall the bill pass? The yeas and nays being required appeared as follow:

AFFIRMATIVE.—Messrs. Skinner, Johnson, Loockerman, Lloyd, Martin, Teackle, Byas, Willis, Hooper, Sheredine, Gerry, Cosden, Roberts, Siemaker, Allen, Boon, Saulebury, Douglass, J. P. Kennedy, Purviance.—20.

NEGATIVE.—Messrs. Speaker, Millard, G. Leigh, Stone, Maddox, Ireland, Massey, Holley, Estep, Linthicum, Howard, Dalrymple, Smith, Edelen, Rogerson, Garner, Stansbury, Orin, Worthington, Jones, Dennis, Stee, Parker, Hughes, Carrol, Meconiken, Wright, Kiley, Franklin, H. Kemp, Thomas, Farquhar, Fisher, Norris, Chauncey, Thomas Kennedy, Lundy, Leiby, Galloway, Williams, A. Lee, Duvall, Greenwell, Hoffman, Tomlinson—25. Determined in the negative.

The further supplement to the act, entitled, A supplement to the act laying duties on licenses to retailers of dry goods, and, for other purposes, was read the second time, on motion by Mr. Teackle, the question was put, that the said bill be referred to the next general assembly? Determined in the negative.

On motion by Mr. J. P. Kennedy, the question was put, that the whole of the bill after the first section be stricken out? Resolved in the affirmative.

On motion by Mr. Teackle, that the following be added to the first section: "Provided, that nothing herein contained shall operate to prevent the prosecution for collection of any penalties which may have accrued under the said act." Mr. Thomas Kennedy moved to add thereto "except so far as regards imports." Mr. Semmes moved to refer the same to the first day of June. Determined in the negative.

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

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 1823.

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

Mr. Stansbury delivers the following report:

The committee to whom was referred the communication from the executive of Delaware, beg leave respectfully to report, that they have had the same under their consideration, and find that the grievances complained of in the petition of James Kay, a native of Delaware, have been removed, as far as consistent with the interest of this state, but your committee are unwilling to repeal the hawkers' and peddlars' laws of the state of Maryland, believing it to be a law founded on good policy.

By order,

J. COCKLY, Jr., Clk.

Which was read and concurred with.

Mr. Semmes delivers the following report:

The committee to whom was referred the petition of the representatives of John Hepburn, have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report, that from a careful examination of the evidence submitted to them, they believe that the claim of the petitioners is just and true; therefore,

Resolved, That the treasurer of the western shore be, and he is hereby authorized and required, to pay to John Hepburn, Mary Coombe, Sarah Hepburn, John W. Hepburn, and Percius Hepburn, representatives of John Hepburn, deceased, or their joint order, the sum of seven hundred and thirty-one dollars and sixty cents, out of any unappropriated money in the treasury.

By order,

J. COCKLY, Jr., Clk.

Which was read.

Mr. T. Kennedy reports a bill, entitled, An act laying duties on pleasure carriages; a bill, entitled, An act to incorporate a company to make a turnpike road from Hancock, in Washington county to the Pennsylvania line, in the direction leading to Bedford, Pennsylvania; and a bill, entitled, A supplement to the act, entitled, An act to incorporate a company to make a turnpike road from Beonsborough, in Washington county, to the Potomac river. Mr. Allcutt reports a bill, entitled, An act for the benefit of negro Charles Gahan, of Harford county; and Mr. Norris reports a bill, entitled, An act for the relief of negro Priss, of Harford county; which were read.

Mr. Hodges delivers a petition from sundry inhabitants of Kent county, praying for a road, read and referred to Messrs. Hodges, Massey and Ireland.

The clerk of the senate delivers the supplement to the act, entitled, An act for the more effectual preventing of forgery, and to make it felony to steal bonds, notes or other securities for the payment of money; and the bill for the relief of Charity F. Barnere, endorsed, "will pass." Ordered to be engrossed. The further supplement to an act, entitled, An act for the more effectual collection of the county charges in allegany county, endorsed, "reconsidered, and the amendments to the amendments assented to." Ordered to be engrossed. The supplement to the act, entitled, An additional supplement to an act to regulate public ferries, endorsed, "reconsidered, amended and will pass." And the following message:

BY THE SENATE, February 20, 1823.

Gentlemen of the House of Delegates—In accordance with the request in your message of the 18th inst. we have reconsidered the bill, entitled, "A supplement to the act, entitled, A supplement to the act, entitled, An act to regulate public ferries," and have consented to pass the same with the accompanying amendments,

By order,

Wm. KILTY, Clk.

Which was read.