

S A T U R D A Y, November 27, 1802.

THE senate met. Present the same members as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read. Mr. McCulloch, from the joint committee of both houses, to whom was referred the communication of his excellency the governor, delivers to the president the following report:

THE joint committee to whom were referred the communications from his excellency the governor, have taken the different subjects therein mentioned under consideration, and report, that it appears expedient that the militia system should be revised, but that the sense of the legislature on this important subject may be obtained when the detail presents itself for their consideration, the committee are of opinion that leave should be given to bring in a bill to regulate the militia of this state. The propriety of placing our military stores in the best situation for public use, and the necessity of remedying any injury our powder may have sustained, must be obvious, but as these are objects, in the opinion of your committee, peculiarly applicable to the executive department, their authority ought to be made commensurate therewith, and that full powers ought to be given to the executive to take such measures for the effectual preservation of the public arms and military accoutrements, as well as for remedying any injury the powder may have sustained, as to them may seem most expedient; but as money must be drawn from the treasury for this purpose, a law or resolution ought to originate in the house of delegates.

The interest of this state in the bank stock of England has long engaged the attention of the legislature. Various acts have passed on the subject, and different means have been pursued, hitherto ineffectual; the aid of the United States may expedite its recovery, and the executive appears to your committee the regular department to request that aid; they are therefore of opinion, that the governor and council should be authorised and requested to take such measures as to them may appear most adviseable to obtain the interference of the executive of the United States for the recovery of said stock, the transfer to be made according to, and under the provisions of, the act, entitled, An act relative to the stock of the bank of England belonging to the state of Maryland, passed the last session.

It appears from the communication of the governor that a difference of opinion exists between the state of Maryland and Pennsylvania, relative to the navigation of the Susquehanna River, but as that subject is now before the legislature, it is not necessary that your committee should express an opinion thereon; they trust it will be amicably adjusted to the satisfaction of the two states, and of the proprietors of the canal.

The attention of the governor to the tranquillity and interests of the state, the full and impressive disclosure of the various objects of his message, the clear and concise point of view in which he has placed our military and financial situation, in the opinion of your committee, highly merits the approbation of the legislature.

By order,

J. B. DUCKETT, clk.

Which was read and ordered to lie on the table.

It appearing to the senate that at the time of the election of Mr. Gabriel Christie to a seat in the senate, he held a commission as a field-officer in the militia of this state, and in consequence thereof was ineligible as a senator, the senate having previously qualified, proceeded again to the election of a senator, and the ballots being deposited in the ballot box, on examination thereof it appeared, that Mr. Gabriel Christie was unanimously elected.

Whereupon it is declared in the senate, that Mr. Gabriel Christie is duly elected a member of the senate.

Mr. Brown, from the committee, delivers to the president a bill, entitled, An act to alter, change and abolish, all such parts of the constitution and form of government as relate to the time and manner of electing the senate, and the mode of filling up vacancies in that body; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

The bill, entitled, An act to prevent swine and geese from going at large in the town of New-Market, Dorchester county, and the bill, entitled, A supplement to an act, entitled, An act authorising a lottery in Hvre-de-Grace for the purpose therein mentioned, were severally read the second time and passed.

Mr. Gabriel Christie appeared in the senate, and qualified agreeably to the constitution and form of government.

The clerk of the house of delegates delivers a bill, entitled, An act to authorise the trustees and other members of the German catholic church, in the precincts of Baltimore, to raise a sum of money, by lottery, for finishing said church, endorsed; "By the house of delegates, November 22, 1802: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

" By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

" By the house of delegates, November 27, 1802: Read the second time and will pass.

" By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

A bill, entitled, An act for the benefit of William Thomas, of Prince-George's county, endorsed; "By the house of delegates, November 16, 1802: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

" By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

" By the house of delegates, November 27, 1802: Read the second time and will pass.

" By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

And the following resolution: