

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, Dec. 30, 1812.

*Resolved*, that the governor and council be, and they are hereby requested to inquire into the probable expence that would be requisite to carry into effect the method proposed by Neale H. Shaw, in his address to the legislature for ascertaining the regular variation of the magnetic needle, including the erection of the necessary structures, the purchase of instruments and the annual salary of a person competent to make the observations, and also to select the place which in their opinion would be the most proper for the object contemplated, and to report thereon to the next general assembly.

By order,

UPTON S. REID, Clk.

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*Resolved*, that the governor and council in the recess of the general assembly be, and they are hereby authorised to adjust the claim of Jehu Chandler, and allow him such sum as they may in justice believe him entitled to for any services he may have performed, or expences incurred beyond the ordinary services which had been performed and expences incurred by his predecessor, and to draw on the treasurer of the Western Shore for such sum, as they shall award to the said Jehu Chandler.

By order,

UPTON S. REID, Clk.

Which were severally read the first time and ordered to lie on the table. Also returns the bill entitled, an act to establish a bank in the city of Baltimore, to be called "The City Bank of Baltimore," with the following message.

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, Dec. 30, 1812.

*Gentlemen of the Senate,*

We have negatived your 6th amendment to the bill for the establishment of a bank in Baltimore, to be called the City Bank of Baltimore, and have returned the bill to your house under a confident expectation that you will reconsider the same, and recede from the objectionable amendment. If the banks whose charters were a few days ago proposed to be extended, accept the terms upon which the propositions were predicated, we cannot conceive why the senate should call in the aid of the bank chartered by this bill to bear a part of the bonus or tax of the banks now in operation. We flatter ourselves that the tax of twenty five cents on every hundred dollars of actual capital stock paid in, to be applied towards the endowment of county schools, and for the education of the indigent children of poor parents will be readily assented to by those who will become stockholders in this bank. We trust that our just expectations of collecting this small sum in aid of the tax conditionally laid on the other banks now in operation for the benevolent purposes to which it is to be applied, will not be defeated by any parsimonious scruples of your honorable body.

By order,

UPTON S. REID, Clk.

Which was read. Also returns the bill entitled, an act authorising James Sloan, senr. of the city of Baltimore, as attorney for Dr. Joseph Mackrill, to execute a deed to Edward Harris, for the lands therein mentioned, passed by that house, Dec. 28, 1812; the bill entitled, a supplement to the act entitled, an act for extending and uniting Holliday street, in the city of Baltimore, passed by that house Dec. 30, 1812; and the resolution relative to noting acts of assembly, assented to by that house, Dec. 30, 1812. Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

On motion, leave given to bring in a bill entitled, a further additional supplement to the act entitled, an act for the opening and extending Pratt street, in the city of Baltimore. *Ordered*, that Messrs MacCreery, L. Hollingsworth and N. Williams, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

Mr. MacCreery from the committee, delivers a bill entitled, a further additional supplement to the act entitled, an act for the opening and extending of Pratt street in the city of Baltimore; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

The bill entitled, a further supplement to an act entitled, an act to enlarge the powers of the commissioners of the town of Havre-de-Grace, was read the second time by special order, passed and sent to the house of delegates by the clerk.

On motion the question was put, will the senate agree to the following message:

BY THE SENATE, Dec. 31, 1812.

*Gentlemen of the House of Delegates,*

We have received and considered your message accompanying the bill entitled, an act to establish a bank in the city of Baltimore, to be called the City Bank of Baltimore. We have resolved to insist on the amendment, disagreed to by your house, and hope on reconsideration you will consent to recede from your disagreement thereto. The senate is extremely solicitous that a school system should be adopted for this state, and that a fund be provided as soon as practicable for that desirable purpose, but we are of opinion it would be doing injustice to the banks already established, after passing the act entitled, an act to incorporate a company to make a turnpike road leading to Cumberland, and for the extension of the charters of the several banks in this state, to impose the burthens in that act contemplated, and immediately thereafter charter a new bank to enter into competition, and divide the profits with them, without at the same time lightning those burthens in the manner provided by the amendment under consideration.

By order,

THOS. ROGERS, Clk.

The yeas and nays being required, appeared as follow:

AFFIRMATIVE.

Messrs Thomas, (President,) Hawkins, L. Hollingsworth, N. Williams.—4.

NEGATIVE.

Messrs Davis, Frazier, Holbrook, MacCreery, Stephen.—5.

So it was determined in the negative.

The question was then put, will the senate reconsider the sixth amendment to said bill? *Resolved* in the affirmative.

The amendment being read, the question was put, will the senate recede therefrom?