

The bill to make valid a deed therein mentioned, was read the second time and laid on the table.

The bill to exempt a lottery therein mentioned from the tax imposed thereon, and the bill to prevent the erection of booths within two miles of any methodist camp or quarterly meeting in the several counties therein mentioned, were read the second time and laid on the table.

The bill to discourage the vice of drunkenness by preventing the recovery of small debts contracted for ardent spirits or spirituous liquors, was read the third time and postponed for further consideration.

The senate adjourns until to-morrow morning 10 o'clock.

### TUESDAY, January 23, 1821.

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

The bill authorising the levy court of Prince-George's county to levy a sum of money for purposes therein mentioned, was sent to the house of delegates.

The clerk of the house of delegates delivers a bill, entitled, An act for the benefit of Ely Dorsey, of Ely, of Frederick county; and a bill, entitled, An act for the relief of John Holman, of Washington county; which were read the first time and laid on the table.

The bill to repeal the act of assembly therein mentioned, was read the third time, and the question put, Shall the bill pass? The yeas and nays being required appeared as follow:

**AFFIRMATIVE**—Messrs. Cresap, Hughlett, Taney, West.—4.

**NEGATIVE**.—Mr. President, Messrs. Carmichael, Emerson, Holliday, Magruder, Parnham.—6.

Determined in the negative, and sent to the house of delegates.

The supplement to the act, entitled, An act to incorporate a company to make a turnpike road from Boonsborough, through Williams-port, to intersect the turnpike road now making from Cumberland to the west bank of the Conococheague, passed Dec sess. 1817; the supplement to the act, entitled, An act to incorporate a company to make a turnpike road from the west bank of the Conococheague creek, at Williams-port, to intersect the Cumberland turnpike road at or near Stone Quarry Ridge, passed Dec. sess. 1818; the further supplement to an act, entitled, An act to incorporate a company to make a turnpike road from the town of Westminster, in Frederick county, through Harman's Gap, to Hager's town, in Washington county; and the further supplement to an act, entitled, An act to incorporate a company to make a turnpike road from the square in the town of Boonsborough, in Washington county, to Swearingen's ferry on the Potomac river, were read the second, and by special order the third time, passed, and sent to the house of delegates.

Mr. Maxcy reports a bill, entitled, An act to enable Hezekiah Niles, of the city of Baltimore, to dispose of certain books in the manner therein mentioned; which was read the first time and laid on the table.

The bill for the relief of the Cumberland Bank of Allegany, was read the third time and will pass.

The resolution relative to St. John's College, was read the second time and laid on the table.

The bill to provide for the support and maintenance of debtors actually confined in prison was read the third time and will pass.

The senate resumed the consideration of the bill to discourage the vice of drunkenness by preventing the recovery of small debts contracted for ardent spirits or spirituous liquors, on motion of Mr. Harper to strike out from the word "that" 1st line enacting clause to the end of the bill, for the purpose of inserting the following, "from and after the first day of April next, it shall not be lawful for any innkeeper, tavern-keeper, or retailer of spirituous liquors, to recover at law a greater sum of money than one dollar from any person except travellers or regular boarders by the week, month or year, for any ardent spirits, or other spirituous liquor, except wine, cider and beer, sold to each person in any one year." On motion of Mr. Carmichael to strike out the word "or retailers of spirituous liquors," the question was put, Will the senate strike out as moved? The yeas and nays being required appeared as follow:

**AFFIRMATIVE**.—Messrs. Carmichael, Hughlett, Jackson, Magruder, Parnham.—5.

**NEGATIVE**.—Messrs. Cresap, Emerson, Harper, Maxcy, Taney.—5.

Determined in the negative.

The question was then put, Will the senate strike out for the purpose of inserting the amendment proposed by Mr. Harper? Resolved in the affirmative.

On motion of Mr. Taney, the question was put, Will the senate receive the following amendment? "Provided always, that nothing herein contained shall prevent any retailer from recovering for the price of any quantity of distilled spirits, when not less than five gallons, may be sold and delivered at one time." Resolved in the affirmative.

The bill was then read as amended and postponed for further consideration.

Mr. Maxcy from the committee reports a bill, entitled, An act for the benefit of Samuel Jones; which was read the first, and by special order the second and third time, and will pass.

The bill for the relief of Isaac Lyon, of Frederick county, was read the third time and will not pass.

The bill for the relief of poor and distressed families in cases of execution for debt and distress for rent, was read the third time, and on motion of Mr. Harper, the question was put, Will the senate receive the following amendment: "And be it enacted, That from and after the first day of April next, it shall not be lawful for any innkeeper, tavernkeeper, or retailer of spirituous liquors, to recover at law a greater sum of money than one dollar from any person except travellers, or regular boarders by the week, month or year, for ardent spirits, or other spirituous liquor, except wine, cider and beer, sold to such person in any one year; Provided always, That nothing herein contained shall prevent any retailer of spirituous liquor from recovering the price of any quantity of distilled spirits where not less than five gallons may be sold and delivered at one time." The yeas and nays being required appeared as follow:

**AFFIRMATIVE**.—Messrs. Cresap, Emerson, Harper, Holliday, Jackson, Taney, West.—7.

**NEGATIVE**.—Mr. President, Messrs. Carmichael, Hughlett, Magruder, Parnham.—5.

Resolved in the affirmative.

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

**AFFIRMATIVE**—Messrs. Cresap, Emerson, Harper, Holliday, Jackson, Taney, West.—7.