

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Town, Roman Catholic Congregations, in Montgomery county, was read the first time and referred to Messrs. Chambers, Johnson, Brownley, Bowie and Claude.

The bill to prevent the distruction of sheep in Cecil county, was read the first time and laid on the table.

The senate resumed the consideration of the bill to extend to the citizens of Maryland the same civil rights and religious privileges that are enjoyed under the constitution of the United States.

After some time spent in debate, Mr. Chambers moved to commit the bill, with instructions to the committee to amend the same, in such manner as to require that persons, before they execute any office in the state, shall by declaration in writing, or in some other mode, give proof of their belief in a future state of rewards and punishments.

The yeas and nays being required appeared as follow:

AFFIRMATIVE.—Messrs. Stuart, Prest. Bowie, Brownley, Chambers, Cockey, Kent, Quinton—7.

NEGATIVE.—Messrs. Claude, Dickinson, Johnson, Miller, Orrell, Price, Wootton, Winder—8. Determined in the negative.

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

AFFIRMATIVE.—Messrs. Claude, Dickinson, Johnson, Miller, Orrell, Price, Wootton, Winder—8.

NEGATIVE.—Messrs. Stuart, Prest, Bowie, Brownley, Chambers, Cockey, Kent, Quinton—7. Determined in the affirmative.

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

THURSDAY, January 30, 1823.

The senate met. Present the same members as on yesterday, except Mr. Winder. The proceedings of yesterday were read.

The president laid before the senate communications from the registers of wills for Talbot, Harford and Montgomery counties, in obedience to the order of the senate of the 14th instant; which were severally read and laid on the table.

The bill to extend to the citizens of Maryland the same civil rights and religious privileges that are enjoyed under the constitution of the United States, was returned to the house of delegates.

The bill for the relief of Thomas J. Perry, late of Allegany county, was read a second time, and referred to Messrs. Johnson, Miller, Bowie, Kent and Quinton.

The bill to regulate the pay of the justices of the orphans court for Somerset county, was read a second time and referred to Messrs. Quinton, Kent and Bowie.

On motion, Ordered, that Messrs. Wootton, Johnson, Orrell, Quinton and Dickinson, be a committee to consider and report upon the returns of the registers of wills of the several counties, made in pursuance of the order of the senate of the 14th instant.

The bill giving jurisdiction to justices of the peace in trespasses for killing, wounding, or otherwise injuring, horses, black cattle, hogs and sheep, was read a second time and referred to Messrs. Chambers, Miller and Cockey.

The bill for the benefit of Dennis Sollers, and Priscilla Sollers his wife, was read a second time and referred to Messrs. Chambers, Cockey and Claude.

The bill for the relief of George Gengill, of Montgomery county, was read a second time and laid on the table.

The bill to incorporate a society in the city of Baltimore, by the name of the Second Franklin Beneficial Society of Maryland, established at Baltimore, was read a second time and laid on the table.

Mr. Kent from the committee to whom was referred the bill relinquishing the right of the state of Maryland to certain lands therein referred to, unto the heirs of Richard Stringer, deceased, reported, that the committee had had the same under consideration, and were of opinion that it ought to pass with the following amendment. At the end of the bill insert "Provided, nothing herein contained shall in any manner affect the title or claim of any person or persons in or to the lands and premises aforesaid, acquired before the passage of this act." Which amendment was read and assented to. The bill was then read a second time and laid on the table.

Mr. Chambers presented the petition of the vestry of Chester Parish, in Kent county; which was read and referred to Messrs. Chambers, Miller and Cockey.

Mr. Chambers from the said committee, reported a bill entitled, An act relating to Chester Parish, in Kent county; which was read the first time and laid on the table.

The bill to establish a patrol in Calvert county, was read a third time by special order, passed and returned to the house of delegates.

On motion, ordered, that the senate will not receive any petition, motion, or order, to originate new matter, after the 5th day of February next.

The report and resolutions relative to the appointment of chancellor Johnson to devise a system of equity, for the use of this state, were read a third time. After some time spent in debate, the question was put, will the senate assent to the same? The yeas and nays being required, appeared as follow:

AFFIRMATIVE.—Messrs. Chambers and Price.—2.

NEGATIVE.—Messrs. Stuart, Pres't. Bowie, Brownley, Dickinson, Cockey, Johnson, Miller, Claude, Kent, Orrell, Quinton, Wootton.—12. Determined in the negative.