

provide a competent teacher, to instruct the children employed in their service, in reading, writing and arithmetic;" and the question was put and determined in the affirmative.

The bill was then ordered to be engrossed as amended for a third reading.

Mr. Nelson from the committee on ways and means made a favorable report upon the resolution in favour of the states' agent for the western shore. The said resolution was then read a second, and by special order a third time; assented to, and returned to the house of delegates.

The supplement to the act for the establishment of Vestries for each parish in this state, was read a third time, passed and returned to the house of delegates.

Mr. Herbert from the committee, made an unfavorable report upon the bill for the relief of Bayley L. Clark of Prince Georges county.

The said bill was then read a second time by special order.

On motion by Mr. Forrest, the bill to 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, so that each county and the city of Baltimore may have a senator to be elected immediately by the people, and the further additional supplement to the act entitled, an act for the relief of sundry insolvent debtors, the same being the order of the day, were postponed until Monday next.

The bill to repeal a supplement passed at December session 1824 and a supplement passed at December session 1825 to an act passed at May session 1803, entitled, an act to incorporate the trustees of the Westminster General Meeting house in Frederick county, was read a second and by special order a third time, passed and returned to the house of delegates.

Mr. Forrest from the committee to whom was referred the bill to make valid a certain deed of manumission, reported the same with the following amendment, viz: strike out the last section of the bill in the following words, "And be it enacted, that nothing in this act contained shall affect any right or title that may have accrued to any person or persons, in or to the said negroes, or their descendants or any of them," for the purpose of inserting the following, viz: "And be it enacted, that nothing in this act contained shall affect any suit or prosecution pending in any court of this state;" which amendment was read and assented to. The said bill as amended was then read a third time, and the further consideration of the same postponed.