

The question was then put, 'That the house concur with the residue of said report, and assent to the resolution therein contained? Resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. C. Dorsey, from the committee, delivers to the speaker a bill, entitled, An act to make public a road in Charles county; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Mitchell, from the committee, delivers to the speaker a bill, entitled, A supplement to an act, entitled, An act compelling the proprietors of lots binding on the water at the west end of the bason in the city of Baltimore to extend and improve the same; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. T. Dorsey, from the committee, delivers to the speaker the bill, entitled, A further additional supplement to the act, entitled, An act for amending, and reducing into system, the laws and regulations concerning last wills and testaments, the duties of executors, administrators and guardians, and the rights of orphans and other representatives of deceased persons, without alteration; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

The bill for the preservation of the breed of wild deer in Somerset county, was read the second time and passed.

ORDERED, That the report of the committee relative to the road from Hancock to Cumberland have a second reading on to-morrow.

Mr. T. Dorsey, from the committee, delivers to the speaker the following report:

THE committee to whom was referred the memorial of the commissioners appointed to superintend the building a Penitentiary in the city of Baltimore, beg leave to report, that a part of the committee, in conformity to the resolution of both branches of the legislature of Maryland, visited the Penitentiary, that monument which the state has erected to its humanity and wisdom; they find from the information derived from them, that the commissioners appointed by a resolution of the general assembly of Maryland, at the session of eighteen hundred, purchased three acres of ground for five hundred pounds per acre; that they have caused to be erected a main building sixty feet square, and three stories high, exclusive of the basement story, which is connected by a passage with an extensive wing, twenty feet wide, and one hundred and sixty long; the buildings are placed upon a site high and elevated, commanding an extensive and interesting prospect, and which must always enjoy a free circulation of air from its altitude over the surrounding grounds. The public streets bind the penitentiary lot on the front and east, a large lot of ground, belonging to the county, and appropriated to the use of the gaol, and uncultivated lots, bind the penitentiary lot on the west and north.

The exterior of the building unites strength, simplicity and grandeur; the main building is conveniently arranged for the accommodation of the inspectors, the superintendent and his family, and guards, and for depositories of manufactured articles, or the materials for them; the wing appropriated to the confinement of those unfortunate beings whose crimes require that they should be excluded from the intercourse of society, is constructed to unite as much comfort and convenience as may be compatible with safety and punishment; a long passage, extending through the whole length of the building, and terminating with large windows or doors, insure a quick circulation of air; nine cells, of about eight by fifteen feet, are ranged along the passage on each floor, with a window to each, and air holes, through which, from the passage, each cell may be ventilated; a cell may be consumed by fire, but from the principle of its construction the building can receive no additional injury; separate rooms are appropriated for female convicts, and a place of Divine worship has been prepared; in short, economy, utility and humanity, appear to have been consulted in the erection and arrangement of the building; and it appears to your committee, that the commissioners have considerable claims on the gratitude of their country for their attention to this subject, so interesting and important to the interests of the state.

Your committee, believing that the completion of this building, with the out-houses essential to the execution of the design, must be a great desideratum to the state, that the sum required by the memorial will be sufficient for that purpose, and also to enable the commissioners to lay in a small stock of raw materials for the use thereof, submit for your consideration and adoption the following resolution:

RESOLVED, That the treasurer of the western shore be and he is hereby authorised and directed, to pay unto the commissioners appointed to superintend the erection of a penitentiary, the sum of thirty thousand dollars, out of any unappropriated money in the treasury.

All which is respectfully submitted.

By order,

G. WINCHESTER, clk.

Which was read.

The house, according to the order of the day, proceeded to the second reading of the bill to regulate and discipline the militia of this state, and on progression, the question was put, 'That the words "and the sheriffs of the respective counties in this state, during the period of their sheriffalty," be inserted in the first clause, after the word "session?" Determined in the negative.

The question was then put, 'That the words "patronized by the state" be stricken out of the said clause after the word "schools?" The yeas and nays being required, appeared as follow:

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Blakistone,	Belt,	C. Dorsey,	Stevens,	Frazier,	Callis,	Sturgis,	Shriver,
Hopewell,	Blake,	Green,	Gale, of Som.	Cox,	B. Hodges,	Robins,	Forwood,
W. Mollitt,	Emerson,	Rogerson,	Jackson,	Page,	Shaaff,	Biggs,	Davis,
Welch,	Grahame,	Kerr,	Dennis,	Hall,	J. E. Spencer,	Kuhn,	Linthicum.
Brice,	Stone,	Seth,					