

The said bill was then read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

A bill entitled, an act to compensate John Cullen for certain moneys expended by him in the execution of the laws for the protection of oysters of this State;

Was read the second time.

A bill entitled, an act to refund a sum of money paid erroneously into the Treasury by Isaac Skinner:

Was read the second time.

A bill entitled, an act to extend the charter of the Baltimore Steam Packet Company passed at December session 1839, chapter 328, for the period of twenty years;

Was read the second time.

A bill entitled, an act amendatory of the act to incorporate the Bank of Commerce, passed January session 1854 chapter 235, and to increase the capital stock of said Bank to one million of dollars.

Mr. Harris proposed the following amendments:

Strike out in 2d line in 2nd section "in a way" and insert "provided said increase of capital shall be made only by the paying in of specie or the notes of specie paying banks;"

Add to 6th section "But the directors or other officers of said Bank of Commerce shall adopt no by-law, rule or regulation requiring on note or paper offered for discount of said bank the name of a resident of Baltimore city as such, before said note or paper shall be discounted: it being the intention hereof to declare that such note or paper so offered for discount shall be considered by the said directors and officers without any regard to the place of residence, (be it town or country,) of the drawers or endorsers thereof, but only with regard to such drawers or endorsers title to credit and said banks ability to discount the same;"

Which were adopted.

The amendments were severally read, the bill was read the second time and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

A bill entitled, an act to authorize the erection of a bridge across north branch of Trent Creek in St. Mary's county;

On motion of Mr. Scott,

The said bill was postponed to Friday the 15th inst.

A bill entitled, an act further amendatory of the act entitled, an