

The bill entitled, an act defining the power of the Court of Appeals in certain cases;

Was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill entitled, an act to provide for the instruction of Indigent Blind persons, inhabitants of this State, and in aid of the Maryland Institute, for the instruction of the blind;

Was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Belt,

The bill entitled, an act to cede jurisdiction to the United States, over land required by the Government thereof, under the limits of this State, for purposes authorised by the constitution and laws of the United States;

Was reconsidered to its second reading, when

Mr. Belt proposed the following amendment;

Sec. 3. And be it enacted, That if at any time after the passage of this act, the Congress of the United States, shall pass any law abolishing within the jurisdiction of the same, the relation of master and slave as it now exists in this State, without the consent of this State, then from and after the passage of any such law by the Congress aforesaid, the jurisdiction required by the United States, within the limits of this State, over any part of the territories of the same, shall cease and be utterly void and of none effect, and such jurisdiction shall revert to the State.

The yeas and nays being demanded and appeared as follow:

AFFIRMATIVE.

Messrs. Berry, Sp'r,	Sudler, of Som.	Bacon,
Morgan,	Tilghman,	Baker,
Neale,	Dail,	McGonigal,
Wickes,	Richardson,	Rogers,
Meginnis,	Grieves,	Lynch, of B. city,
Mackubin,	Davis,	Crowley,
Kilbourn,	Kidd,	Forrest,
Griffiss,	Belt,	Alexander,
Magruder,	Wyville,	Duvall,
Burgess,	Contee,	Worthington,
Stonestreet,	Sudler, of Q. A.	Thruston,
Walker,	Spence,	Kilgour,
Allender,	Thomas,	Barnard,
Ford, of Balt. co.	Harding,	McKinstry,
Clarke,	Bowlus,	Rinedollar,