

Leave was granted to Messrs. Weber, Harne, Boteler, Nesbitt and Grove, to bring in a bill to incorporate the Independent Junior Fire Company of Hagerstown.

The House took up the following bills, entitled to a second reading :

The bill entitled, an act granting further time to Benjamin T. Pindle, collector of the county charges for the first collection district of Anne Arundel county; to complete his collections ;

The bill entitled, an act relating to Anne Arundel county.

The bill entitled, an act requiring the Register of the Land office for the Western Shore, to correct an error in a certain patent therein mentioned.

And the bill entitled, an act to provide for the hearing by the Court of Appeals of the case therein mentioned ;

Which were severally read the second time, passed and sent to the Senate.

Mr. Murray from the committee on Ways and Means, reported a bill entitled, an act further supplementary to an act entitled, an act for the general valuation and assessment of property in this State, and to provide a tax to pay the debts of the State ;

Read the first time, ordered to be printed and made the order of the day for Wednesday next.

Mr. Key from the minority of the committee on Ways and Means, made the following report :

The undersigned, a member of the committee on Ways and Means, objects to the bill just reported entitled, an act further supplementary to "an act entitled, an act for the general valuation and assessment of property in this State, and to provide a tax to pay the debts of the State."

He protests against the various machinery in said bill, designed to enforce the levying and collection of taxes as inexpedient, unwise and inefficient.

At the same time the undersigned approves of all that portion of the bill that contemplates indulgence to the tax payers, in consonance with his resolutions referred to the said committee.

All which is respectfully submitted,

H. G. S. KEY.

Mr. Starr submitted the following resolution :

Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the Treasurer be directed to pay to Captain George P. Kane, of the Eagle Artillery of Baltimore, the sum of thirty-two dollars, the cost of constructing four cannon locks for the ordinance in possession of the said company.

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Owens reported a bill entitled, an act declaratory of the act of the General Assembly, passed at December session 1841, ch. 325.

Which was read the first time, ordered to be printed and made the order of the day for Wednesday next.

On motion of Mr. Harne,