

On motion of Mr. Bowie,

The house was called and the doorkeeper sent for the absent members;

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The house resolved to proceed with the ordinary business of the session during the absence of the doorkeeper.

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The house took up for consideration the preamble and resolutions submitted by him on yesterday in relation to the six per cent. dollar bonds of the State;

The said preamble and resolutions were then read the second time and assented to.

On motion of Mr. Richardson,

The house took up for consideration the bill from the senate, entitled a further supplement to an act, entitled an act to incorporate Frederick Town in Frederick county, passed at December session 1816, chapter 74;

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Said bill was amended by inserting the following amendments:

Strike out the 1st, 2d and 3d sections, and insert the following:

1st sec. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That, at the next election for Mayor, Aldermen, and Common Council for the town of Frederick, in Frederick county, each voter may endorse upon his ballot, in print or writing, "for a Board of Aldermen," or "against a Board of Aldermen;" and if, upon counting the ballots, a majority of the ballots thus endorsed, shall be "against a Board of Aldermen," then, and from that time, the Board of Aldermen shall be abolished; but if a majority of the ballots thus endorsed, shall be "for a Board of Aldermen," this act shall have no force or effect; and the persons elected as members of the Board of Aldermen, shall proceed to act as such, in the same manner as if this act had never been passed.

Sec. 2. Be it enacted, That, if at the said election, herein before mentioned of Mayor, Aldermen and Common Council, the said Board of Aldermen shall be abolished as aforesaid, the name of the body politic and incorporate of said town, shall from that time be "the Mayor and Common Council of Frederick;" and the Mayor and Common Council of Frederick as such, shall have and exercise all the powers which were conferred on the Mayor, Aldermen and Common Council of Frederick, by the original act of incorporation, and supplements thereto; and the Common Council shall have and exercise all the powers and authority now vested in the Aldermen and Common Council, by the several acts to which this is a further supplement.

For sec. 4, in the original, insert 3, and for sec. 5 insert 4.

Strike out the 6th and 7th sections, and add the following:

Sec. 5. And be it enacted, That all acts and parts of acts inconsist-