

Pending which,

The President announced the hour had arrived for considering the Order of the Day ;

Being the bill entitled, "An Act to repeal sections 42 and 43 of Article 66 of the Code of Public General Law, relating to manumission, and to enact a substitute therefor providing for the manumission of slaves ;"

Mr. Ricaud, submitted the following amendment :

After the word freedom at the end of the eighth line add, to take effect at the date of said instrument or at such future time as may be limited by said instrument,

Which was read.

The question, upon its adoption, was determined in the affirmative by yeas and nays as follow :

AFFIRMATIVE.

Messrs. Sellman, Pt.	Eichelberger,	Purnell,
Bayne,	Firey,	Ricaud,
Bayless,	Given,	Rowles,
Briscoe,	Jenkins,	Stirling,
Campbell,	Kemp,	Tome,
Carroll,	Lankford,	Willis.—20
Crane,	Ohr,	

NEGATIVE.

Mr. Billingsley.—1

Mr. Briscoe submitted the following amendment :

Sec. 42. That any person or persons possessed of any slave or slaves within this State, or any executor, administrator or guardian, may by writing under his her or their hand and seal evidenced by at least two good and sufficient witnesses and acknowledged before a Justice of the Peace of the county, where the grantors reside and recorded in the office of the clerk of the circuit court for said county, within thirty days from its date, by said instrument or last will and testament executed to pass personal property and duly admitted to probate grant to such slave or slaves his, her or their freedom, and that a copy of such record duly attested under the seal of said office where said deed or last will and testament may be recorded, shall be good and sufficient evidence to prove such freedom in all cases where such slave or slaves shall have been enlisted in the military service of the United States to enable said person or persons, executor, administrator or guardian, to recover compensation for said slave or slaves, and all deeds of manumission so executed shall be valid and effectual to all intents