

academies, (Prince Frederick;) the resolution stating the amount which the said academy is now entitled to receive at three hundred and sixty dollars, when in fact the said academy receives but three hundred dollars. The provisions of the resolutions are presumed to have been affected by the error above mentioned. If the resolution be amended so as to correct the said error and so as to divide the sums to which the two academies in said county are entitled by law, between the three academies provided for in the resolution, it will be favorably considered by this body.

By order,

Joseph H. Nicholson, Clerk.

On motion of Mr. Geyer, the house took up for consideration the bill reported by him, entitled, a supplement to an act relating to charges for transportation upon the Baltimore and Ohio Rail Road, passed at December session 1836, ch. 261.

On motion of Mr. Giles, the house was called and the doorkeeper sent for the absent members.

On motion of Mr. Maulsby, the house resolved to proceed with the ordinary business of the session during the absence of the doorkeeper.

Mr. Maulsby, chairman of the select committee, submitted the following resolution:

Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the Directors of the Maryland Penitentiary be, and they are hereby authorised and empowered to borrow on the credit of the State, the sum of fifteen thousand dollars, for the use of that institution at a rate of interest not exceeding six per centum per annum, payable at the expiration of four years from the date of such loan; and that the interest accruing thereon shall be paid by the said institution semi-annually, and the principal to be paid in like manner at the expiration of four years as aforesaid into the treasury of the State.

Which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Bowie chairman of the committee on grievances and courts of justice, reported a bill, entitled, an act making certain acts felony,

Which was read the first and by a special order the second time.

Mr. Simmons moved to amend said bill, by striking out all after the enacting clause of the bill, and inserting in lieu thereof the following—

“Be it enacted, That if any free negro, mulatto, or slave shall take and carry away any corn from the stalk growing or standing in the ground belonging to another person or persons, with the unlawful intent of appropriating the same to his own use without the consent of the owners thereof, he shall be liable to be punished in the same manner as if he had been convicted of feloniously stealing and carrying away corn already gathered of a like equal value.”

Determined in the negative.

Mr. Ely moved to strike out the enacting clause of the bill,

Determined in the negative.

Mr. Ely moved to amend said bill by adding at the end thereof as an additional section the following—