

Legislature of Maryland
HOUSE OF DELEGATES

Friday, December 23, 1868.

The house met. Present as on yesterday.

The proceedings of yesterday were read. The bill to alter the times of the meeting of the court of appeals, the bill to empower the executive to purchase arms for the militia of this State, the bill to amend the act to lay out and open a public road from the Black House, in Harford county, to intersect the Pennsylvania line, the bill to authorize a lottery to raise a sum of money for the use of the German and Presbyterian congregations in or near Boonborough, in Washington county, resolutions relative to the inspection of public records, and the resolution relative to the penitentiary, were sent to the senate.

The engrossed bills No. 14, 44, 49, 71, 73, 96, 45, 46, 47, 48, and from No. 70, inclusive, and No. 74 and 75, were read, assented to, and sent to the senate. Mr. Randall delivers an unfavourable report on the petition of Thomas Owings, which was twice read and assented to.

Mr. Porter delivers a favourable report on the petition of John Maloy, which was twice read and assented to. The bill for the benefit of William Smith, and of Robert Smith, was read the second time, and the question put, Shall the said bill pass? Determined in the negative.

The bill to lay out and open a road in Annapolis county, was read the second time, and assented to. The clerk of the senate delivers the bill to make public a road in Montgomery county, and the bill to authorize the levy court of that county to assess and levy a sum of money for the purposes therein mentioned, severally endorsed, "will pass." Ordered to be engrossed. A bill, entitled, An act to suppress insurances in the State of Maryland by the London Phoenix Fire Insurance Company, and for other purposes, passed, "will pass."

The resolutions disapproving the resolutions of Virginia and Vermont, were read, the first assented to, and the second read from. And the following message from the senate having completed all the business before them, propose, with your assent, to close the present session of the general assembly to-morrow.

The bill to incorporate a company for the purpose of building a bridge over the river Choptank, was read the second time, passed, and the question put. That the house assent to the said bill? Resolved in the affirmative, yeas 24, nays 1, and sent to the senate.

The resolution making an appropriation for the purpose of completing the road from Harford to Cumberland was read the second time, and the question put. That the house assent to the said resolution? Resolved in the affirmative, yeas 26, nays 28. Sent to the senate.

The following resolution was read:

Resolved, That the treasurer of the western shore, be and he is hereby authorized and required to subscribe for—Shares of stock of the Baltimore and Frederick town turnpike road company, whenever a subscription for additional stock shall be opened by the said company, to be paid out of any unappropriated money in the treasury.

Mr. Brice delivers an unfavourable report on the petition of Aquila Dileon, which was twice read and assented to. The house returned the consideration of the bill to alter and abolish all such parts of the constitution and form of government as are therein mentioned, and after amending the same, the question was put, Shall the said bill pass? Determined in the negative, yeas 34, nays 13.

The clerk of the senate delivers the bill to authorize a lottery to raise a sum of money for the use of the German Lutheran and Presbyterian congregations, in or near Boonborough, in Washington county, endorsed, "will pass." Ordered to be engrossed. The bill to empower the executive to purchase arms for the use of the militia of this State, and for other purposes therein mentioned, endorsed, "will pass with the proposed amendments;" which amendments were agreed to, and the bill ordered to be engrossed. The further additional supplement to the act, entitled, An act to lay out and open a public road from the Black House, in Harford county, to intersect the Pennsylvania line, endorsed, "will not pass."

The resolution relative to the road from Hancock to Cumberland, the resolution in favour of John Maloy, and the resolution relative to the inspection of public records, severally endorsed, "dissented from." The resolution relative to the penitentiary, endorsed, "assented to." A letter from the executive, requesting some order as to the deposit and application of the public arms, which was read. And the engrossed bills No. 44 to 48, inclusive, from No. 50 to 70, inclusive, and No. 74 and 75, severally endorsed, "read and assented to."

The further additional supplement to the act to provide for the administration of justice in cases of crimes and misdemeanors in the city and county of Baltimore, and for other purposes, was read the second time, and passed. The bill to incorporate the convention of the protestant episcopal church in Maryland was read the second time, and the question put, Shall the said bill pass? Resolved in the affirmative, yeas 46, nays 17.

The house adjourns till to-morrow morning. SATURDAY, December 24, 1868. THE house met. Present as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read. The bill to incorporate the convention of the protestant episcopal church in Maryland, the further additional supplement to the act to provide for the administration of justice in cases of crimes and misdemeanors in the city and county of Baltimore, and the resolution relative to the distribution of arms, were sent to the senate.

The engrossed bills from No. 76 to 85, inclusive, and from No. 97 to 110, inclusive, were read, assented to, and sent to the senate. Leave given to bring in a further supplement to the act for regulating the mode of staying executions, and repealing the acts of assembly therein mentioned. The following resolution was agreed to, and sent to the senate.

Resolved, That the executive of this State be and they are hereby required to take all proper steps to cause to be returned all arms the property of the State, that may be in possession of persons in the district of Columbia, and that they make report of the same to the next legislature. Ordered, That the order passed yesterday on that subject be rescinded. A petition from Isaiah Green, and others, praying compensation for injuries received in attempting to prevent criminals from escaping from Baltimore gaol, was preferred, read and referred.

The bill annulling the marriage of Francis Ebbins and Hester Ebbins, was read the second time, and the question put, Shall the said bill pass? Determined in the negative.

The bill to straighten and lay out a road in Baltimore and Harford counties, was read the second time, passed, and sent to the senate. Leave given to bring in a bill, entitled, An act to abolish all such parts of the constitution and form of government as relate to the mode of filling up vacancies in the body.

The clerk of the senate delivers a bill, entitled, A further supplement to the act, entitled, An act to regulate and discipline the militia of this State, endorsed, "will pass;" which was read. The bill to incorporate a company for the purpose of building a bridge over the river Solomons, endorsed, "will pass with the proposed amendments;" which amendments were agreed to, and the bill ordered to be engrossed. The bill to incorporate the convention of the protestant episcopal church in Maryland, endorsed, "will not pass."

The bill to regulate the fees of the register of the court of chancery, with a message, assigning reasons for declining to reconsider said bill. The resolution relative to the purchase of swords, &c. endorsed, "assented to." And the engrossed bills from No. 74 to 75, and from 97 to 110, inclusive, endorsed, "read and assented to."

Mr. Mitchell delivers a bill, entitled, An act to incorporate a company to straighten and turnpike the present post-road from the Delaware line in Cecil county, to Baltimore city, through Cecil, Harford and Baltimore counties; which was read. The bill annulling the marriage of Thomas Rowe, was read the second time, and the question put, Shall the said bill pass? Determined in the negative.

The following resolution was assented to, and sent to the senate. Resolved, That the treasurer of the western shore, be and he is hereby authorized and required to pay the sum of six hundred dollars, out of any unappropriated money in the treasury, in quarterly payments, unto John Scott, as chief judge of the court of oyer and terminer and general gaol delivery for Baltimore county. The bill for the benefit of the trustees of Charlotte Hall School, was read the second time, and the question put, Shall the said bill pass? Determined in the negative.

The further supplement to the act to regulate and discipline the militia of this State, was read the second time, and the question put, Shall the said bill pass? Resolved in the affirmative, and sent to the senate. The resolution for investing money in the different banks was read the second time, the blanks therein filled up with sixteen hundred shares in the Farmers Bank of Maryland, eight hundred in the Mechanics Bank of Baltimore, two hundred and fifty in the Baltimore and Frederick turnpike road stock, and two hundred and fifty in the Baltimore and York town turnpike road stock, and the question put, That the house assent to the said resolution? Resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Bond delivers a bill, entitled, An act to extend Centre street, in the northern precincts of the city of Baltimore, and to build a bridge therein across Jones' Falls; which was twice read, and passed. Leave given to bring in a bill, entitled, A supplement to the act, entitled, An act to authorize William Handy and James Ritchie to sell and dispose of the real estate of Isaac Handy, late of Somerset county, deceased.

Mr. Cotman delivers the said bill, which was twice read, and passed. The amendments to the bill to make public the road therein mentioned, were agreed to, and the bill ordered to be engrossed. The supplement to the act to incorporate the freeholders of the Mechanics Bank of Baltimore, was read the second time, amended, and the question put, Shall the said bill pass? Determined in the negative, yeas 31, nays 31. The house adjourns till 4 o'clock.

Mr. Bond delivers a bill, entitled, A further supplement to an act, entitled, An act for regulating the mode of staying executions, and repealing the acts of assembly therein mentioned; which was twice read, passed, and sent to the senate.

Mr. Stanbury delivers a bill, entitled, An act to lay out a road therein mentioned; which was read. The resolution in favour of John S. Brooks was read the second time, assented to, and sent to the senate. Mr. R. Stewart delivers a favourable report on the petition of Isaiah Green, and others; which was twice read, the blanks in the resolution therein filled up, and the question put, That the house assent to the said resolution? Resolved in the affirmative, yeas 41, nays 18, and sent to the senate.

The bill to incorporate a company to make a turnpike road from Ellicott's lower mills towards George town, in the district of Columbia, was read the second time, passed, and sent to the senate. The clerk of the senate delivers a bill, entitled, A further supplement to the act, entitled, An act to regulate and discipline the militia of this State, endorsed, "will pass;" which was read. The bill to incorporate a company for the purpose of building a bridge over the river Solomons, endorsed, "will pass with the proposed amendments;" which amendments were agreed to, and the bill ordered to be engrossed.

The bill to incorporate the convention of the protestant episcopal church in Maryland, endorsed, "will not pass." The bill to regulate the fees of the register of the court of chancery, with a message, assigning reasons for declining to reconsider said bill. The resolution relative to the purchase of swords, &c. endorsed, "assented to." And the engrossed bills from No. 74 to 75, and from 97 to 110, inclusive, endorsed, "read and assented to."

Mr. Mitchell delivers a bill, entitled, An act to incorporate a company to straighten and turnpike the present post-road from the Delaware line in Cecil county, to Baltimore city, through Cecil, Harford and Baltimore counties; which was read. The bill annulling the marriage of Thomas Rowe, was read the second time, and the question put, Shall the said bill pass? Determined in the negative.

On motion, the question was put, That the house adjourn until Monday morning 9 o'clock? Determined in the negative. The question was then put, That the house adjourn till to-morrow morning 9 o'clock? Resolved in the affirmative, yeas 30, nays 1. The house adjourns till to-morrow morning.

SUNDAY, December 25, 1868. THE house met. Present as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read. The supplement to the act to authorize William Handy and James Ritchie to sell and dispose of the real estate of Isaac Handy, late of Somerset county, deceased, the supplement to the act, to incorporate the freeholders of the Mechanics Bank of Baltimore, the supplement to the act, to authorize the executive to make public a certain road therein mentioned, the bill to suppress insurances in the State of Maryland by the London Phoenix Fire Insurance Company, the bill to abolish all such parts of the constitution and form of government as relate to the time and manner of electing the senate, and the mode of filling up vacancies in that body, the bill to lay out a road therein mentioned, the bill to extend Centre street in the northern precincts of the city of Baltimore, and to build a bridge therein across Jones' Falls, the resolution directing the executive to give notice to the officers and soldiers of the Maryland line, the resolution relative to the contingent fund, and the resolution relative to the investments, were sent to the senate.

Ordered, That the committee of claims close the journal of accounts, including the day, the 26th instant. Ordered, That the committee of claims allow to John Sullivan sixty dollars, for the care of the furniture of the house of delegates. Ordered, That the committee of claims allow to the Rev. Mr. Wyatt, one hundred dollars, for his attendance as chaplain of the house of delegates. Leave given to bring in a bill for the settlement of the journal of accounts.

Resolutions, authorizing the treasurer of the western shore to pay to James Handy, assistant clerk to the senate, sixty dollars to William Sanders Green, assistant clerk to the house of delegates, one hundred dollars, and a further compensation for their services during the present session, to the extent of general, such sum, in addition to his fees for the year 1868, as shall amount to three hundred pounds, and to John Sullivan, member of the court of chancery, fifty dollars, as compensation for his services for the same year, were severally read, assented to, and sent to the senate. Ordered, That the committee of claims allow to Edward Holland, one hundred dollars, for his attendance as chaplain of the house of delegates, and to the following members of the house of delegates, the following amounts: