

the exercise of the elective franchise in the several cities and counties of this State, and the bill offered as a substitute therefor by Mr. Sellers, entitled, an act to guard against fraud in the exercise of the elective franchise in the city of Baltimore;

The question before the house being upon the amendment to the substitute offered by Mr. Sellers on yesterday, as the 7th section thereof.

On the question being put, will the house adopt said amendment?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Giles moved further to amend said substitute by adding at the end thereof, as an additional section, the following:

Section 7. And be it enacted, That this act shall not be construed as to prevent the judges of election in the city of Baltimore from receiving the vote of any citizen of that place, who has a constitutional right of suffrage, even if his name should not be found in the said register; nor shall it be construed to give the right of suffrage to any person whose name is entered in said register, unless such person shall have the age, residence and citizenship required by the constitution.

Determined in the negative.

Mr. Ristean moved to amend said substitute, by adding at the end thereof, as an additional section, the following:

And be it enacted, That nothing herein contained shall take effect at the next election, and that at said election the voters of the city of Baltimore shall have written on their tickets for or against the Register Law, and pass them through the ballot box.

Determined in the negative.

Mr. Ristean then moved to amend said substitute by adding at the end thereof, as an additional section, the following:

And be it enacted, That nothing herein contained shall be construed as to take effect until the same shall be confirmed by the next general assembly.

Determined in the negative.

Mr. McKinnell moved to amend said substitute by adding at the end thereof, as additional sections, the following:

And be it enacted, That if either of the registers shall refuse to receive and register the name of any person who may be proved to be a legal voter, or who shall register or cause to be registered, knowing the fact, the name of any person who may not be a legal voter in the writ of which he is one of the registers, he shall be deemed and judged guilty of wilful perjury, and on conviction thereof before Baltimore city court, shall be sentenced to the penitentiary of this State for a term of not less than five or more than ten years.

And be it enacted, That if either of said registers shall be, or be in any manner interested in any bet or bets on any election, or shall be stakeholder of any bet or bets on any election, or shall permit, until handed to the judges of election in any manner, any person to be possessed of, or shall show to, or transcribe or suffer to be transcribed his registry book or books, and register shall, on conviction thereof before Baltimore city court, be fined the sum of five hundred dollars, and imprisoned six months.

And be it enacted, That the Governor shall not nominate to the senate any person to the office of register who may hold, or be in any manner connected or interested with any person who may hold an office of honour, profit or trust in the State of Maryland, nor shall any person who may have been a register be appointed to any office of honour, profit or trust for twelve months after he may have held such office.

And be it enacted, That this act shall be null and void unless accepted by a majority of the voters of the city of Baltimore, at an election to be held for that purpose by proclamation of the mayor of the city, on the 1st Monday in May next, as elections are usually held, by giving at least 30 days notice thereof in all the newspapers of the city of Baltimore, and said voters shall have on their tickets at said election, the words, for or against a Registry Law.

Determined in the negative.

Mr. Graham moved to amend said substitute by adding at the end thereof, as an additional section, the following:

And be it enacted, That the senate of the city of Baltimore shall not be subject to the operation of this law.

Determined in the negative.

On motion of Mr. Sellers, said substitute was amended by adding at the end thereof the following additional sections:

Sec. 8. And be it enacted, That if any individual shall arrive in the city of Baltimore on the day of election, and he shall prove by competent testimony that he has been absent from the city of State, and had no means of registering his name, and shall also prove that he is otherwise entitled to vote under the constitution and laws of this State, then and in that case, the judges of the election are authorized to receive his vote.

And be it enacted, That if either of said registers shall be, or be in any manner interested in any bet or bets, on any election, or shall be stakeholder of any bet or bets, or shall at any time exhibit any bet or bets, except to each other, or give a copy thereof to any person or persons, whatever, except the judges of election as herebefore provided, the said registers shall, on conviction thereof before Baltimore city court, be fined the sum of one hundred dollars, and imprisoned six months.

On motion of Mr. Boyle, of Carroll, said substitute was further amended, by adding at the end thereof the following, as an additional section:

And be it enacted, That at the next election the voters so registered, shall declare upon their ballots, for or against the registry law, and if it is found upon counting the same, that a majority of said ballots were against the said law, then

and in that case the said law shall in future be null and void.

On motion of Mr. Sellers, the house reconsidered the 1st section of said substitute;

On motion of Mr. Sellers, said section was amended by striking out after the word "entitled," the words "to vote," and inserting in lieu thereof these words, "or will be entitled to vote at the next election."

The said substitute having been read through as amended.

The question was put, will the house adopt the substitute?

Resolved in the affirmative.

The question was then put, shall the said bill pass?

Resolved in the affirmative.

On motion of Mr. Ely, the yeas and nays were ordered and appeared as follows:—

**AFFIRMATIVE.**

Messrs. Tuck, Speaker, Hopewell, Causin, McDaniel, Usilton, Welch, Gale, Brown, Iglehart, Simmons, Sellers, Hughes, Matthews, Kerr, Denny, Boyle, of Tal. Jump, of Tal. Carroll, Adams, Lemmon, Frazier, Eccleston, Gresham, Rough, Tall, Simps, Bowie, Ghislin, Coombs, Alexander, Harrison, Townsend, Hearn, Powell, Carter, Bown, Turner, of Car. Jump, of Car. Beach, Griffin, White, Dawson, Sprigg—42.

**NEGATIVE.**

Messrs. Higgins, Parran, Kent, Orrick, Ristean, Ely, Turner, of Balt. Jones, Comery, Evans, Grason, Wilmer, Biser, Grever, E. I. Cramer, Williams, Forwood, Nelson, Maubly, Giles, Hillen, Gallagher, McKinnell, Mann, Spingley, Rentsch, Witmer, Neff, Blocher, Boyle, of Car. Shower, Berret, Powder—34.

So the bill was passed.

Mr. Turner, of Baltimore county, moved to amend the title of said bill by striking out, and inserting in lieu of the title, the following:

"An act to register the voters of the city of Baltimore."

Determined in the negative.

On motion of Mr. Causin.

The house adjourned until to-morrow morning ten o'clock.

**SATURDAY, March 10th.**

The speaker announced the following message as having been received from the senate on yesterday, viz:—

The bill, for the benefit of Alexander McComas, of Harford county.

Also, the bill, for the benefit of Frederick Gardner, of Frederick county.

Severally endorsed, "will pass with the proposed amendments."

Also, the bill, to authorise the commissioners of tax of Carroll county, to levy a sum of money for the support of Catharine Hipley.

Also, the bill, for the relief of Joseph Steele, and others.

Severally endorsed, "will pass."

Also, the bill, authorising and directing the commissioners of Harford county, to examine into and determine the utility of opening an oil road in the said county—endorsed, "will not pass."

Also, the resolutions relative to the loan negotiated by virtue of the act of Dec session 1835, for the promotion of internal improvement—endorsed, "assented to," and ordered to be engrossed.

And delivered a petition of Jos. Graham, late sheriff of Talbot county, praying further time to complete his collections—endorsed, "referred to the consideration of the house of delegates."

Mr. Berret presented two petitions signed by two hundred and twenty-three voters of Carroll county, praying that the commissioners of said county may be elected by the people.

Mr. Wilmer, a petition of the trustees of the poor of Queen Anne's county, and of primary school district No. 22, praying for the passage of a law directing the commissioners of the school fund of said county, to pay over such sum as will be necessary to educate the poor children from the almshouse, in addition to their regular dividend.

Mr. Coombs, a petition of Samuel Barron, Richard L. Thompson, Leonard H. Early and others, praying that Jane Duvall may be placed on the pension roll of Prince George's county.

Mr. Hughes, a petition of Francis Matthews and James F. Neale, praying the passage of an act to authorise them to bring certain slaves therein mentioned into this State.

Mr. Orrick, a petition of Joseph Addison, (a coloured man) praying for a redress of grievances therein mentioned.

Mr. Tall, a petition of sundry citizens of Dorchester county, praying the passage of a law authorising a public road as therein mentioned.

Mr. Maubly, a petition of sundry citizens of Harford county, praying that mileage may be allowed to the commissioners of said county, in addition to their per diem.

Mr. Mann, a petition of sundry citizens of Cavetown district in Washington county, praying the passage of a law making duelling a capital offence.

Mr. Sprigg, chairman of the committee on the currency, delivered the following report:

The committee on the currency, beg leave to report to the house the testimony taken by them, as to the condition of the Susquehanna Bank; and inasmuch as the question of a repeal of the charter of that institution, has been submitted to the committee on grievances and courts of justice, your committee deem it proper that the evidence they have collected, should be laid before that committee, they therefore pray such a disposition of it, that they be discharged from a further consideration of the condition of that institution.

M. SPRIGG, Chairman.

Which was read.

Mr. Carroll reported a bill, entitled, an act to incorporate the Somerset Silk Company.

Mr. Geyer reported a supplement to an act,

to provide for the public instruction of youth in primary schools throughout this State.

Mr. Frazier, to divorce James H. Knotts, of Queen Anne's county, from his wife Catharine Knotts—And,

Mr. Bowie, a bill, to confirm and make valid a deed of conveyance from Joseph L. Smallwood to George S. Adams.

Which were severally read the first, and by a special order the second time, and passed.

The clerk of the senate returned the bill, to divorce Samuel Roberts, of the city of Baltimore, from his wife Mary Ann Roberts.

Also, the bill, to authorise Jane Hutton and Margaret Hutton, of the city of Baltimore, to hold, inherit and dispose of real estate.

Severally endorsed, "will pass."

And, delivered a preamble and resolutions originated in and passed by the senate, requesting our Representatives in Congress to endeavour to procure from the General Government, further aid towards the completion of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal.

On motion of Mr. Giles, the house took up for consideration the bill reported by him, entitled, an act to provide for the instruction of indigent blind persons, inhabitants of this State.

The said bill was then read the second time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Boyle, of Carroll, the house took up for consideration the bill reported by him, entitled, an act to alter and change the divisional line between the first and third election districts in Carroll county.

The said bill was then read the second time and passed.

The house adjourned until Monday morning, nine o'clock.

**MONDAY, March 12th.**

Mr. Ent presented a memorial of sundry citizens of Frederick county, praying that a law may be passed to authorise the levy court of said county to levy a sufficient sum of money for the purpose of building a new court house in Frederick county.

Mr. Ent, a memorial of 143 citizens of Frederick county, renouncing against the proposed division of Frederick county, with a view to the erection of a new county.

Mr. Neff, a petition of 47 voters of district No. 1, and 14 voters in district No. 10, in Allegany county, praying that no alteration may be made of the division lines between the two districts.

Mr. Jump, a petition of Sally Ann Porter, of Talbot county, praying to be divorced from her husband James Porter.

Mr. Simps, a petition of the commissioners of Charlestown in Cecil county, praying for the passage of a law to authorise them to sell a lot of ground in said town.

Mr. Rentsch, a petition of sundry citizens of Washington county, praying an alteration of the boundary line of election district, No. 1 and 6 for their convenience.

Mr. Iglehart, a memorial of sundry citizens of Anne Arundel county, praying an alteration in the license laws of this State.

And Mr. Giles, a memorial of the New Castle and Frenchtown Turnpike and Rail Road Company, praying permission to extend their road as far as Turkey Point on the Chesapeake bay.

Mr. Causin reported a bill, entitled, an act to amend the constitution and form of government of the State of Maryland.

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

Mr. Causin submitted the following resolution:

Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland, That in the opinion of this Legislature, the twenty-second section of the act of 1836, ch. 197, entitled, an act to amend the constitution and form of government of the State of Maryland, is not intended to affirm any power in the legislature of the State, to alter the relation of master and slave; but that it was only intended to more effectually to guard that relation against the attacks of fanatic and malignant designs, upon the peace and security of the citizens of the State.

And be it further resolved, that the Legislature of the State of Maryland, does not possess the power either of partial or general abolition of slavery, even by a unanimous vote of both houses, and at two successive sessions, as contained in the said section.

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

The house took up for consideration the bill from the senate, entitled, an act for the benefit of Edward L. Nicholson and others, devisees and legatees of Richard Harwood of Thomas, deceased.

The said bill was then read the second time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Williams, the house took up for consideration the bill reported by him, entitled, an act declaratory of the law concerning contempt of court.

On motion of Mr. Williams, said bill was amended by adding at the end of the 1st section thereof, the following, "and in cases of absence of witnesses or jurors, who have been duly summoned to attend said courts."

The said bill was then read the second time as amended, and passed.

On motion of Mr. Witmer, the House took up for consideration the bill reported by him, entitled, an act in favour of the Botanical or Thompsonian system of medicine.

Mr. Ristean, moved to amend said bill by striking out the 2nd section thereof.

Determined in the negative.

On motion of Mr. Ely, said bill was amended by inserting in the 2nd section after the word "acts," the words "or parts of acts."

Mr. Williams moved further to amend said bill by adding at the end thereof as an additional section the following:

And be it enacted, that nothing contained in this act shall be construed to exempt the practitioners of said Botanical or Thompsonian system of medicine from the operation of the common law in relation to Physicians' fees.

Which was read.

Mr. Geyer moved to amend said amendment by adding at the end thereof these words, "and penalties for mal-practice."

Resolved in the affirmative.

The question the recurred upon the amendment as amended, and

Resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Ristean then moved to amend said bill, by adding at the end of the 1st section, thereof the following proviso:

Provided, always, and it is the express intention of this law that no Thompsonian doctor, a practitioner of medicine, shall be allowed the benefit of this law, until he shall go through a regular course of lectures in some medical school chartered by the State or some other State.

Determined in the negative.

Mr. Ristean moved to amend said bill by adding at the end of the 1st section thereof the following:

"Provided, that they undergo an examination by a regular board of examiners."

The said bill was then read the second time and passed.

Which was read.

On motion of Mr. Ely, said amendment was amended by adding at the end thereof, these words, "appointed by the Thompsonian Society of Baltimore."

The question then recurred upon the amendment as amended, and

Resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Causin moved that the house adjourn.

Resolved in the affirmative.

The house adjourned until tomorrow morning nine o'clock.

**TUESDAY, March 13th.**

The speaker announced the following message as having been received from the senate on yesterday, viz:—

The bill, to divorce Theresa Kann, of the city of Baltimore, from her husband Julius Kann, endorsed, "will pass," ordered to be engrossed.

Also, the bill, to authorise the commissioners of the tax for Carroll county, to borrow money for the erection of the public buildings, endorsed, "will pass with the proposed amendment."

Also, the bill, to provide for electing commissioners of Carroll county and prescribing their powers and duties, endorsed, "reconsidered and will not pass."

And delivered a bill, originated in and passed by the senate, entitled, a supplement to an act to incorporate the Boston and New York Coal Company.

On motion of Mr. Ristean.

The house suspended the rule and took up for consideration the bill reported by him, as chairman of the committee on divorces, entitled, an act to divorce Elizabeth Ann White, of the city of Baltimore, from her husband Bennet A. White.

Mr. Giles presented a petition of Christian Kreyer and others, of the city of Baltimore, praying that the Baltimore Print Company may be incorporated.

Mr. Carroll, a petition of the trustees of the Franklin School, praying for a donation from the State.

Mr. Matthews, a petition of P. W. Crain and others, praying a law may be passed directing the librarian to furnish the clerk of Charles county court, and the orphan's court with certain laws of this State.

Mr. Geyer, a memorial of sundry citizens of Frederick county, praying that a law may be passed, authorising the levy court of Frederick to levy a sum of money for the purpose of building a bridge over Monocacy.

The clerk of the senate returned the bill, to incorporate the Orphan House and Episcopal Free School of All Saints Church in Frederick town.

Also, the bill, to guard against frauds in the exercise of the elective franchise in the city of Baltimore.

Severally endorsed, "will pass."

The bill reported by Mr. Giles, relating to Chancery proceedings.

The bill reported by Mr. Kerr, to confirm and make valid a deed of conveyance from Daniel Renner to Susannah Jenkins.

The bill also reported by Mr. Kerr, relating to Promissory Notes and Bills of Exchange.

Were severally taken up for consideration, and read the second time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Turner, of Caroline, the house took up for consideration the bill reported by Mr. Jump, of Caroline, entitled, an act to incorporate the Denton Silk Company.

Mr. Shower reported a bill, entitled, an act for the relief of Carroll county, and

Mr. Carroll reported a bill, entitled, an act to abolish capital punishment in this State.

On motion of Mr. Witmer, the house resumed the consideration of the unfinished business of yesterday, being the bill reported by him, entitled, an act in favour of the Botanical or Thompsonian system of medicine.

Mr. Ristean moved to amend said bill, by striking out the preamble thereof.

Determined in the negative.

The question was then put, shall the said bill pass?

Ford, Iglehart, Simmons, Sellers, Beall, Hughes, Matthews, Ristean, Boyle, of Tal. Carroll, Adams, Lemmon, Comery, Evans, Simps, Bowie, Coombs, Swann, Harrison, Wilmer, Hearn, Nelson, Bown, Beam, Griffith, White, Dawson, Sprigg—31.

So the bill was rejected.

The house adjourned until to-morrow morning nine o'clock.

**Maryland Gazette.**

**ANNAPOLIS:**  
Thursday, March 15, 1839.

**A STATEMENT**  
Exhibiting the aggregate of Expenditure and each general charge in Anne-Arundel County for the year 1837.

Penitentiary,	\$3,136
Bridges,	686 11
Public Roads,	4,373 85
Orphan Asylum,	726 07
Public Ferries,	700
Jurors to the County Court,	1,590
Sine Wages,	205 33
Bailiffs to the County Court,	255

**SUNDRY ACCOUNTS.**

Henry C. Drury, of Wm. Collector, Insolencies for 1835,	\$95 61
Stephen Beard, Justice 2d Election District,	22 37
Benjamin Watkins, do do	27 26
John Beard, Jr. Collector Insolencies for 1836,	101 30
John Beard, Jr. per account,	8
John Clayton, per account,	3 92
John C. Queenberry, per account,	22 49
William O'Hara, Justice 1st Election District,	19 75
Rinaldo Findell, do do	12 22
W. J. W. Compton, do do	15 79
Rinaldo Findell per account,	2 43
Leonard Iglehart, per account,	10
Caleb White, Justice 2d Election District,	16 68
Philemon Warfield, per account,	26
Charles Boone, Collector, Insolencies for 1834 and 1835,	25 99
Henry C. Dunbar, Justice 3d Election District,	42 87
Dennis Gaither, Justice 4th Election District,	10
Joel Hopkins, do do	30 27
Philemon Warfield, Collector, Insolencies for 1836,	73 07
Zachariah Merriken, per account,	3 19
Seth W. Warfield, per account,	2 43
Samuel Nichols, per account,	6 37
Basil Owings, per account use of Polly Welling,	3 81
Nathan Miles, per account use of Polly Welling,	1 67
Mortimer Dorsey, Thomas Burgess, and Edward W. Field, Justices 6th Election District,	24 53
Richard Gambell, for the Justices in 5th District,	50 24
Nathan Shipley, per account,	1 19
Thomas C. Miller, for a read Certificate given by John Fisher, Superior, in favour of Geo. D. Warfield,	3
Thomas C. Miller, Collector, Insolencies for 1836,	92 19
Thomas C. Miller, per account,	64
Richard Gambell, for the Justices in 5th District for 1835,	13 74
James Iglehart, per account,	133 79
Francis M. Jarboe, per account use of James Iglehart,	10 18
John S. Selby, Sheriff, per account,	642 69
Daniel Hart, per account,	3
Edward Dubois, per account,	3 48
John W. Whittington, per account,	45
James Boyle, Prosecutor, per account,	413 33
William S. Green, Clerk, per account,	373 14
William S. Green, for expenses and compensation under the act for the Conveyance of Process,	125
Thomas King, Crier, per account use of James Iglehart,	35
Thomas G. Waters, per account,	86
Lewis N. Sewell, per account,	75
William Brewer, Justice, Annapolis,	1 96
Thomas G. Waters, do	21
Edward Dubois, do	3 54
William Brewer, per account,	3 55
Lewis N. Sewell, Collector, Insolencies for 1835,	5 55
Lewis N. Sewell, Collector, Insolencies for 1836,	4 52
William Sewell, per account use of Adam & John Miller,	4
Gotth L. Grammer, for care of the Court House,	100
Commissioners for Anne-Arundel county for a Parliament in front of the Court House,	100

Judges and Clerks of the Elections,	2,916 00
Constables Salaries, &c.	431
Alms House,	659 29
Commissioners and Clerk,	2,590
Jail,	655
Lanatic Papers,	718 67
Burying Papers,	300
Crows Heads,	132
Printers and Jurors on Inquest,	192
Croings,	29 50
Commissioners for Anne-Arundel county under the act relating to the People of Colour,	654
Collector's Commission,	1,233 47
Surplus,	933 02

Amount of Levy,	\$23,062 60
Commissioners of Primary Schools and Clerk,	4,075
Collector's Commission,	252 22

Amount of Levy,	\$1,237 22
Deficit,	1,203 83

By order of the Board of Commissioners for Anne-Arundel County.

R. J. COWMAN, Clk.

**APPOINTMENTS**  
by the Commissioners for Anne-Arundel County at their March Session 1838.

**TRUSTEES OF THE POOR.**  
George McNeir and John Iglehart.

**SUPERVISORS OF THE PUBLIC ROADS.**  
John Beard, Richard G. Holliday, Francis Smith, Philip Pinckell, John T. Richardson, William Robert, Samuel Darall, Solomon G.