

of John M. Tavish; the bill authorising Edmond W. Contee to remove certain negroes into the State of Maryland; the bill to pay the civil list, the bill to continue in force the acts of assembly which would expire with the present session; the bill to change part of the divisional line between the fourth and fifth election districts in Anne Arundel county; the supplement to the act for the relief of Joshua Colgar; and the bill to incorporate a company to erect a bridge over the Patuxent, severally endorsed "will pass." Ordered to be engrossed. A bill, entitled, A further additional supplement to the act, entitled, An act to reduce into one the several acts of assembly respecting elections, and to regulate said elections; a bill, entitled, A further additional supplement to the act, entitled, An act to regulate the inspection of salted fish; and a bill, entitled, An act for the benefit of John Mercor, severally endorsed "will pass;" which were read. The resolution in favour of John Quinn and others; the resolution in favour of the chaplain; and the resolution in favour of Jonas Green, severally endorsed "assented to." and the resolution relative to information as to expenditures on the basin of Baltimore, endorsed "disassented from." The further additional supplementary act for quieting possessions, enrolling conveyances, and securing the estates of purchasers, and the bill incorporating into one the several acts relative to constables fees, severally endorsed "will pass with the proposed amendments;" which amendments were read, assented to, and the bills ordered to be engrossed. The bill supplementary to the act for amending and reducing into system the laws and regulations relative to last wills and testaments, endorsed "will pass with the proposed amendment;" which amendment was read. The bill for the relief of Jacob Stouffer of Frederick county, the bill for the relief of John Stempel; the bill for the relief of John McCall; the bill for the relief of Joseph Delaplane; the bill for the benefit of Robert Norris; the bill altering the time of holding the courts of Somerset and Worcester counties; and the bill authorising the recording of a deed from Thomas Mulliken and wife, to William Berry, severally endorsed "will not pass."

The resolution relative to a loan for removing the obstruction at the mouth of severn river, was read the second time; on motion by Mr T. Kennedy, the following was added to the same:

Resolved, That before the money herein before appropriated shall be drawn from the treasury, the corporation of the city of Annapolis shall fully satisfy the governor and council that contracts, and the nature of such contracts, have been entered into for the purposes aforesaid.

The question was then put, That the house assent to the said resolutions? Determined in the negative.

The resolution in favour of Nancy Richardson, was read the second time, assented to, and sent to the Senate.

On motion by Mr. J. P. Kennedy, Leave given to bring in a bill, entitled, A supplement to an act for the relief of Philo D'Forrest, of Baltimore. Ordered, That Messrs. J. P. Kennedy, Barney and T. Kennedy, report the same.

On motion by Mr. Plater, the following resolution was read:

Resolved, That the treasurer of the western shore pay to Thomas Pollard, the sum of fifty dollars for his extra services this session as committee and engrossing clerk.

The bill alleviating the pecuniary embarrassments of the people, and to provide for the debtors and creditors of this state, was read the second time; on motion by Mr. Dennis, the question was put, That the following be inserted before the last section.

"And be it enacted, That if any writ of capias ad satisfaciendum shall be hereafter delivered to any sheriff, coroner or constable, as the case may be, of this state, if the person or persons against whom such writ issues will, upon oath, shew all his, her, or their estate, real and personal, to the sheriff, coroner or constable, and deliver unto such officer such part thereof as the plaintiff or plaintiffs, or his, her or their attorney at law, or in fact, shall direct, such officer as aforesaid shall, within ten days thereafter, cause such goods or chattels, lands or tenements, so taken, to be appraised by four judicious and competent men of his county, who are not related to any person concerned, two of them to be named by the plaintiff, and two by the defendant, who upon their oath to be administered to them by the said officer, sheriff, coroner or constable, shall within ten days impartially and justly value and appraise the said goods and chattels, lands or tenements, so taken in execution, and in case either or both parties shall refuse or neglect to choose or appoint, the sheriff, coroner or constable, shall choose or appoint two or four, as the case may be, judicious and competent men of his county, who are neither related to any person concerned; who shall, upon their oaths to be administered to them by the said officer, impartially value and appraise the said goods or chattels, lands or tenements, so delivered to such officer, and the sheriff coroner or constable, shall thereupon give notice in writing to the plaintiff or plaintiffs, or his, her or their attorney at law or in fact, of the value of the said goods or chattels, lands or tenements, and that he is ready, on a day, at a place mentioned in said notice, to deliver so much of the said goods or chattels, lands or tenements, as according to such appraisement will amount to the debt, damages and costs in such execution mentioned, to the plaintiff or plaintiffs, or to his, her, or their attorney at law or in fact, in discharge of such debt, damages and costs, and in case any plaintiff or plaintiffs his, her, or their attorney at law or in fact, shall accept and receive the same, the officer executing such writ shall give such debtor or debtors a full and sufficient discharge for so much of the claim or demands in such writ or writs, against him, her or them, as the said goods or chattels, lands or tenements, in such appraisement, shall amount unto, and in case any creditor or creditors, plaintiff or plaintiffs, or his, her, or their attorney at law or in fact, shall refuse to take and accept the property of any debtor or debtors, according to the provisions of this act, the sheriff, coroner or constable, shall thereupon give to such debtor or debtors, a certificate of such refusal, then and in that case it shall be lawful for such debtor or debtors, within sixty days thereafter, to supersede the same until the thirty first day of December eighteen hundred and twenty-two, agreeably to the manner and form herein mentioned."

Determined in the negative.

The question was then put, Shall the said bill pass? The yeas and nays being required, appeared as follows:

YEAS.—Boyer, Brown, N. Martin, Dennis, King, Polk, T. Williams, J. Moffitt, Harker, Hill, Hardesteale, Whitely, T. Kennedy, Reid, Blair.—15.

NEGATIVE.—Speaker, Key, Plater, Millard, Thomas, J. B. Eccleston, Harriott, Stewart,