

Mr. B. Forrest moved to strike out the words "present session," and insert the words "next general assembly?" Determined in the negative.

Mr. Key moved to strike out "three dollars" for the purpose of inserting eight dollars? Determined in the negative.

Mr. Maulshy moved to strike out the whole of the resolution for the purpose of inserting the following: "Whereas, upwards of twenty members of this legislature have received their per diem at the rate heretofore established, and left the city, and as any change in the per diem now, would operate unequally. Therefore Resolved, That it would be unequal to make any change or reduction in the per diem at the present session:

Mr. Stevens moved that the following be inserted in the substitute proposed by Mr. Maulshy, before the word "therefore," to wit: And whereas, the journal of accounts is closed and passed.

A motion was then made by Mr. Lecompte, and the question put, That the whole be referred to the next general assembly? Resolved in the affirmative.

On motion by Mr. T. Kennedy, the following resolution was read and assented to, and sent to the senate:

Resolved, That the governor and council be, and they hereby are authorised and requested, to advertise for three weeks, during the month of April next, in all the news papers in Baltimore, and Annapolis, and in the National Intelligencer, that they will receive sealed proposals in writing, from any person or persons who will contract to furnish all the stationary, and do all the printing for the legislature and executive department of the state for three years, commencing the first day of December thereafter, and they shall appoint a certain day in the month of June next, to meet at Annapolis, when they shall open the sealed proposals, and decide on the same. Specimens of the different articles shall be furnished, and contractors shall give bond, with sufficient security, for the faithful performance of their engagements.

On motion by Mr. B. Forrest, the following resolution was read.

Resolved, That the treasurer of the western shore pay to Mary Taylor, of Montgomery county, the widow of Richard Taylor, an old revolutionary soldier, or to her order, in quarterly payments, annually, during life, a sum of money equal to the half pay of a private soldier

And the question put, That the house assent to the same? The yeas and nays being required, appeared as follow:

AFFIRMATIVE.—Key, Plater, Millard, Boyer, Thomas, J. B. Eccleston, Brown, Marriott, Edeley, Dennis, King, Polk, W. Eccleston, Lecompte, J. Forrest, R. Moffitt, Norris, T. Kennedy, Gaither, Harding, Darne, B. Forrest, Reid, Blair.—23.

NEGATIVE.—Speaker, T. W. Hall, Wyvill, Kent, Beckett, Dalrymple, Showers, Snowden, Orrick, S. Stevens, Lake, Frazier, J. S. Moffitt, Archer, T. Williams, Duvall, Maulshy, Alderson, Willis, Harcastle, Whitely, Barney, J. P. Kennedy, Keishner.—24.

Determined in the negative.

The house adjourns until to morrow morning 9 o'clock.

SATURDAY, February 17, 1821.

The house met. Present the same members as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read. The engrossed bills from No. 134 to 159, inclusive, and from No. 164 to 183, inclusive, were read, as presented to, and with the paper bills thereof sent to the senate.

The clerk of the senate returns said bills, severally endorsed "read and assented to."

The speaker laid before the house a letter from William Boon, resigning his situation as committee clerk; which was read.

Mr. Wyvill presents a petition from Elijah Weems, of Anne-Arundel county, praying he may be authorised to remove a slave into this state, which was read and referred to Messrs. Wyvill, Marriott, and Duvall.

Mr. Wyvill reports a bill, entitled, An act to authorise Elijah Weems, of Anne-Arundel county, to bring into this state the negro therein named; which was twice read, passed, and sent to the senate.

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

Resolved, That the treasurer of the western shore pay to Henry Spalding, the sum of — dollars, in lieu of 50 acres of land which he is justly entitled to for services performed during the American war.

On motion by Mr. Millard, the question was put, That the blank be filled up with \$100? Determined in the negative. The resolution was then dissented from.

The resolution relative to the establishment of an uniform mode of electing representatives in congress, and of appointing electors of the president and vice-president of the United States, was read the second time, dissented from, and returned to the senate.

Mr. Wright presents a petition from William Carroll, of Queen Anne's county, praying he may be authorised to bring a slave into the state; which was read and referred to Messrs. Wright, Harding and Darne.

The amendment to the supplement to the act to provide for opening Pratt street, was read, assented to, and the bill ordered to be engrossed.

The bill for the destruction of crows in the several counties therein named; the bill regulating divorces, and the supplement to the bill respecting writs of habeas corpus, were referred to the next general assembly.

The clerk of the senate delivers the bill to establish a patrol in Saint-Mary's county, endorsed "will pass with the proposed amendments;" which amendments were read, assented to, and the bill ordered to be engrossed. The bill more effectually to prevent the anchoring of vessels in the fisheries in Susquehanna river, and at the head of the bay, and for other purposes, endorsed "will pass with the proposed amendments;" which amendments were read, assented to, and the bill ordered to be engrossed. The resolutions in favour of Stephen Philips, John Walker, John Penn, Nicholas Fitzgerald, Henry Lord, David Wilson, William Merrick, Edward Chambers, William Ryns, Eleanor C. Courts, Richard Hazelip, James Brown, Thomas Elless, Butler Dunning, Joseph Duvall, Richard Pearce, William Bowgardner, Nancy Richardson, Mary Thompson, Henry H. Chapman, Elizabeth Gordon, John Toomy,

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