

present to the House of Delegates a full view of said plan.—The above communication was promptly replied to by the President of the company, in an able and elaborate paper, suggesting some improvements in the plan of your committee, and developing the condition of the company's funds and works. That paper, with others referred to in it, your committee beg leave to attach to this report, and have marked it (B.)

These documents, shewing the situation and wishes of the company, so far as they could be ascertained, have contributed to fasten the convictions of the committee, that this great work, not only to be undertaken and seriously pursued by the general government, or the states of Maryland and Virginia, to give to this state and the nation, the full enjoyment of all the blessings the improvement of the Potomac is calculated to secure. With this view of the subject, your committee submit the following resolutions:

Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the improvement of the Potomac river, is an object of the first importance and interest to the people of this state particularly, and to the nation generally.

Resolved, That the state of Maryland will unite with the general government, in any just plan that may be proposed for the improvement of said river, and if for that purpose it will incorporate a company, the state pledges itself to become a member thereof, and to secure the operation of such company within the territory of this state.

Resolved, That a copy of this report and resolutions be sent to our Senators and Representatives in Congress. All which is respectfully submitted.

B. S. FORREST, Chairman.

Which was read.

On motion by Mr Hughes the following message was read:

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, Feb. 22, 1822.

Gentlemen of the Senate,

In accordance with your proposition we shall be prepared to close the session this day. Messrs _____ are appointed on the part of this house to join such gentlemen as may be named by the senate to wait on his excellency the governor and request his attendance in the senate chamber at such time as may be convenient to your honorable body to sign and seal the laws agreeable to the constitution and form of government.

The clerk of the senate delivers the resolution relative to abandoned slaves, endorsed, "assented to." The engrossed bills from No. 101 to 125 inclusive, and from No. 133 to 187 inclusive, endorsed, "read and assented to."

The bill for the relief of Samuel Simmons of the city of Baltimore, and the bill relating to the city of Baltimore and to certain officers and elections therein mentioned, were read the second time, passed and sent to the senate.

The bill to repeal in part, the act of 1820, chapter 97, was read the second time and will not pass which was returned to the senate.

The clerk of the senate delivers the resolutions in favor of Ann Fawlings, Michael House, Ann Jackson, Edward Hood and Saint Peter's free school, severally endorsed, "assented to." The resolutions in favor of Edward Sherbrook, Clement Sewall and Ann Spedden, severally endorsed, "dis-sented from." The resolution in favor of the Potomac Company, endorsed, "assented to with the proposed amendments;" which amendments were read. The bill for the relief of Fielding A. Parnell of the city of Baltimore, endorsed, "will not pass."

The clerk of the senate delivers the further supplement to an act entitled, An act for licensing and regulating ordinary keepers, and the bill empowering the levy court of Montgomery county to assess and levy a sum of money for the support and maintenance of the idiot son of John Grant and Varinda Compton, endorsed, "will pass with the proposed amendments;" which amendments were read, assented to and the bill ordered to be engrossed. The resolution in favor of Thomas Karney, endorsed, "assented to." The bill for paving of certain streets in the city of Baltimore; the bill to repeal part of an act therein mentioned, and the bill for the benefit of John Hill, endorsed, "will pass;" ordered to be engrossed.

Mr Bruce reports a bill entitled, An act taxing or licensing certain dealers in lottery tickets and others; a bill entitled, A supplement to an act entitled, An act to provide a revenue for the support of the government of this state, and a bill entitled, A supplement to the act laying duties on licenses to retailers of dry goods and for other purposes; which were severally read the first and second time by special order, passed and sent to the senate.

The resolution rescinding a resolution in favor of Joshua Rutledge, was read the second time and the question put, That the house assent to the same? The yeas and nays being required, appeared as follow:

AFFIRMATIVE.

Messrs Speaker, Harris, Brown, Stewart, Woodward, Dalrymple, Smith, Wems, Snowden, Showers, T. Kemp, Travers, Williams, Semmes, J. Forrest, Culver, Carroll, Hughes, Meconkin, Nicholson, Moffett, Bruce, Forwood, Whiteford Barney, Greenwell.—26.

NEGATIVE.

Messrs Millard, Llewellyn, Maddox, Jenifer Edelen, Rogerson, King, Waters, Bowles, Kershner, B. S. Forrest, Darne, Riggs.—16. Resolved in the affirmative.

The bill relating to the removal of causes in Baltimore city court, was read the second time passed and sent to the senate.

The clerk of the senate delivers the bill for the relief of Samuel Simmons of the city of Baltimore, endorsed "will pass;" ordered to be engrossed; and the following message:

BY THE SENATE, FEBRUARY 23, 1822.

Gentlemen of the House of Delegates,

The senate having completed the business before them, propose with your concurrence to have