

the nation to an incalculable extent—and as philosophy teaches that the progress of population keeps pace with the means of subsistence, and that an adequate supply of circulating medium, justly termed the 'oil of industry'—in procuring efficient labour, erecting factories, and putting in motion all the varieties of art and invention, employs the poor, produces the means of subsistence, and benefits the people, by the two fold operation of diminishing the public charges, and augmenting the productive capital of the state, therefore,

*Resolved*, That a copy of the foregoing be forwarded by the executive to each of our senators and representatives in congress, with a request that the important objects therein suggested may be submitted to the consideration of the national government, and that they will co-operate in the measures, which in the sense of the legislature, are best calculated for the promotion of the public welfare.

The bill to reduce the per diem of the justices of the Orphans Court of Anne-Arundel county, and for other purposes, was read the second time, passed, and sent to the senate.

On motion by Mr. Spence, the supplement to the act amending and reducing into system the laws relative to last wills and testaments, was recommitted.

The supplement to the act to incorporate a company for erecting a bridge over Chester river, at Chester town, was again considered; and the amendment proposed by Mr. Cannell assented to, the bill passed, and returned to the senate.

On motion by Mr. Purviance, Ordered, That the bill to remove an obstruction in Water street, in the city of Baltimore, have a second reading on the 20th inst.

On motion by Mr. Purviance, the following order was read:

*Ordered*, That no person shall be admitted within the bar of this house, but present and former members of the legislature, the officers of government, present and former members of congress, present members of the state legislature, and ladies visiting the house.

Mr. A. Lee presents a petition from William Clements, sheriff of Montgomery county, praying to be indulged further time in the payment of the tax into the treasury; read and referred to Messrs. A. Lee, Kilgour and Williams.

On motion by Mr. Garner, leave given to bring in a bill entitled, An act to prevent fraudulent conveyances, and for other purposes. Ordered, That Messrs. Garner, Semmes, and Thomas report the same.

Mr. Roberts presents a petition from the trustees of the poor of Queen Ann's county, praying they may be authorised to purchase a piece of land for that institution; read and referred to Messrs. Roberts, Wright and Meconiken.

Mr. Worthington presents a petition from Ulrich Z. Buckur, praying for the sale of the estate of Catharine Z. Buckur, an idiot; read and referred to Messrs. Worthington, Wright and Orrick.

On motion by Mr. J. P. Kennedy, leave given to bring in a bill entitled, An act to surrender and cede to the United States the use of the soil and the rivers and other waters of this state, for the purposes of internal improvement. Ordered, That Messrs. J. P. Kennedy, Kilgour and Purviance report the same.

On motion by Mr. Teackle, Ordered, that the select committee appointed to enquire into the administration of justice, be instructed to enquire into the expediency of so amending the laws concerning attachments, as to extend to the justices of the peace jurisdiction over all cases not exceeding fifty dollars, and also to enquire into the expedience of extending the same jurisdiction in petty cases of trespass where the damage may obviously not exceed fifty dollars.

The further additional supplement to the act entitled, An act for amending and reducing into system the laws and regulations concerning last wills and testaments, the duties of executors and administrators, and the rights of orphans and other representatives of deceased persons was read the second time. On motion by Mr. Semmes, the question was put, that the words, "thereafter, but only to pass a final account on the arrival at age of the ward unless" be stricken out of the 1st section for the purpose of inserting "as required in the original law to which this is a further additional supplement, but shall pass an account every third year, until such minor shall arrive at lawful age?" Resolved in the affirmative.

On motion by Mr. Purviance, that the first section be stricken out, for the purpose of inserting the following: "That in all cases of account by guardians or any orphans court, where it shall appear that the annual income of any ward, there accounted for, does not amount to the sum of forty dollars, the register of the said court shall not take or receive more than one half of the fees now allowed by law, upon the rendering of the said accounts." A division of the question was called for by Mr. Semmes; and put on striking out? Determined in the negative.

The question was then put, shall the said bill pass? Determined in the negative, and the bill returned to the senate.

On motion by Mr. Orrick, leave given to bring in a bill entitled, A supplement to a further supplement to an act entitled, An act to regulate and discipline the militia of this state. Ordered, that Messrs. Orrick, Stansbury, Loockerman, Greenwell, Farquhar, Chauncey and Massey report the same.

On motion by Mr. Massey, leave given to bring in a bill entitled, An act to alter and change all that part of the constitution and form of government, so far as the same relates to the appointment of clerks to the several county courts of this state, and the register of wills and to limit the time of their continuance in office. Ordered, that Messrs. Massey, Steele, Allen, Linthicum, Thomas, Chauncey and Maddox, report the same.

On motion by Mr. Teackle, leave given to bring in a bill entitled, A further supplement to an act entitled, An act to prevent the inconveniences arising from slaves being permitted to act as free. Ordered, That Messrs. Teackle, Dennis and Jones, report the same.

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