

On motion by Mr. Thomas Kennedy the further consideration thereof was postponed until to-morrow.

The house resumed the consideration of the bill to incorporate the Baltimore Manufacturing Company. After sometime spent in debating the same, the further consideration of the same was postponed until to-morrow.

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

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 15, 1823.

The house met. Present the same members as on yesterday. The speaker appeared and resumed the chair—The proceedings of yesterday were read.

The chief clerk being absent, in consequence of indisposition, Mr. Richard Bennet was appointed clerk, *pro tem.* and Mr. Trueman Cross, assistant clerk *pro tem.*

Mr. Purviance presents the petition of Margaret Hicks, of the city of Baltimore, praying for a divorce; read and referred to the committee on divorces.

Mr. Drury presents the petition of sundry inhabitants of Washington county, to amend the militia law; read and referred to the standing committee on that subject.

Mr. Purviance presents the petition of the Maryland Beneficial Society, praying for an act of incorporation; read and referred to Messrs. Purviance, Hughes and John P. Kennedy.

Mr. Farquhar reports a bill, entitled, An act to prevent bullet playing in Middleburg, in Frederick county; and Mr. Howard reports a bill, entitled, An act to fix on the place for holding the election in the second election district in Anne-Arundel county; which was read.

On motion by Mr. Orrick, leave to bring in a bill, entitled, An additional supplement to an act authorising a lottery to raise a sum of money to purchase a lot of ground in Coxe's Town, in Baltimore county, and to erect a building thereon, to be used as a school house and meeting house.

Ordered, That Messrs. Orrick, Stansbury and Johnson, report the same.

Mr. Whiteford presents the petition of sundry inhabitants of Harford county, praying for damages sustained by a certain road leading through their lands; read and referred to Messrs. Whiteford, Chauncey and Norris.

The bill entitled, An act to restrain the practices of lawyers in charging or receiving commissions on all monies collected by them, unless it be shewn that they are entitled to the same by contract, and to compel them to collect their own legal fees, and for other purposes, was read the second time.

On motion by Mr. Kilgour, the question was put, that the following be added to the same:

"And be it enacted, That all laws heretofore passed, and now in operation, regulating and establishing lawyers fees, and the mode of their collection, be and the same are hereby repealed?" decided in the negative.

On motion by Mr. Hoffman, the following additional section was added to the bill: "And be it enacted, that the agency of all attorneys, solicitors, or proctors in all cases wherein they are employed, shall cease from and after the rendition of any judgment or decree, unless by express direction, in writing, by their client or clients, and that no sheriff or collector shall hereafter, pay to any attorney, solicitor or proctor, any monies by him collected, unless by express order from the person or persons who are entitled the same."

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

AFFIRMATIVE. Messrs. Millard, Ireland, Cannell, Hodges, Massey, Howard, Dalrymple, Skinner, Stansbury, Orrick, Johnson, Worthington, Martin, Byus, Hooper, Sheredine Gerry, Fisher, Norris, Chauncey, Allen, Whiteford, Douglass, John P. Kennedy, Greenwell, Hoffman, Pollard, Tomlinson—28.

NEGATIVE.—Messrs. Speaker, G. Leigh, Stone, Linthicum, Smith, Edelen, Garner, Loockerman, Lloyd, T. Kemp, Jones, Teackle, Steele, Dennis, Parker, Carroll, Hughes, Roberts, Meconiken, Wright, Pratt, Slemaker, Riley, Spence, Franklin, H. Kemp, Thomas, Farquhar, Boon, Salisbury, Purviance, Thomas Kennedy, Drury, Keller, Kilgour, Williams, Archibald Lee, Duvall—38. Determined in the negative.

Mr. Linthicum presents a petition from Moses Deaver, of Anne-Arundel county, praying a support for his helpless children; read and referred to the committee on similar subjects.

Mr. Garner presents a petition from Eleanor Newberry, of Charles county, praying for support; read and referred to Messrs. Garner, Rogerson and Edelen.

The amendments proposed by the senate to the bill, entitled, a supplement to the act, entitled, An act to amend and reduce into one system the laws to direct descents, were read a second time, assented to, and the bill ordered to be engrossed.

On motion by Mr. Teackle, the following message was read:

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, January 15, 1823.

*Gentlemen of the Senate.*—We have received your message requesting a reconsideration of the bill, entitled, An act to incorporate a company in Baltimore county, by the name of the Avalon Company, and lament the diversity of opinion which has arisen on this subject. The friends of domestic manufactures consider their interests as best protected, and that such a manufactory can be most successfully conducted, by individual enterprise.

The principal impediment which operates to discourage that interest, which is so essential to the husbandry and commerce of the country, is deemed to exist in the prevailing scarcity of money, and it is believed that, whenever, from any cause, an adequate circulating medium shall have been supplied, a sufficient capital for every necessary purpose, may be obtained by men of property, or by men of merit, in the various arts, in association with men of property, without the aid of chartered privileges. Experience has manifested the necessity of making adventure