

answerable for their engagements in their private estates, to avoid the recurrence of such losses from corporations, as have produced the entire ruin of many individuals, and that no incorporation shall in future expose the public to this danger.

After a full discussion, the sense of this house has deliberately rejected this principle, for such an objects they will not create an invitable body, whose secret agents are not restrained by those ties of responsibility and honour, which bind society, and afford the strongest assurance in all the transactions of human affairs. The considerations are held to apply to manufacturing incorporations generally, but in the particular instance now presented, especial objections are contained. Amongst these objections, may be enumerated the following:

1st. The limited number of persons to be incorporated, and they being all of one family, which give it the character of an exclusive privilege.

2nd The involution and the jeopardising of orphans property.

3d. The authority to borrow money; the right to enlarge the capital, and to purchase land, might operate to create a company of speculators, foreign to the declared objects of the bill, and detrimental to the public welfare. We therefore decline to reconsider the bill in question.

Mr. Semmes presents a petition of sundry inhabitants of Prince-George's county, praying a repeal of the law regulating the inspection of tobacco, passed at December session 1821; read and referred to Messrs. Semmes, Purviance, Estep, Edelen and Skinner.

Mr. Thomas presents the petition of John Issett, Junior, praying to be released from Frederick county goal: read and referred to Messrs. Thomas, Fisher and Farquhar.

The bill for the relief of John Garner, of Charles county, was read a second time, passed, and sent to the senate.

The bill, entitled, A further supplement to an act to erect a bridge over the Narrows of Kent Island, and Queen-Anne's county, passed, December session 1819, was read a second time, passed, and sent to the senate.

The clerk of the senate delivers the bill, entitled, An act to make valid a lease therein mentioned, endorsed, "will not pass."

The house again resumed the consideration of the bill to incorporate the Baltimore manufacturing company. After considerable time spent in debating the same, the further consideration thereof was postponed until to-morrow.

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

THURSDAY, JANUARY 16, 1823.

The house met. Present the same members as on yesterday. The clerk resumed his seat. The proceedings of yesterday were read.

The bill to regulate a dangerous practice in the stone quarries on the Fall's turnpike road near Baltimore, was sent to the senate.

Mr. Orrick reports a bill entitled, An additional supplement to an act entitled, A supplement to an act authorising a lottery to raise a sum of money to purchase a lot of ground in Coxes' town, in Baltimore county, and to erect a building thereon, to be used as a school house and meeting house; and Mr. Purviance reports a bill, entitled, An act to incorporate the Maryland beneficial society; which were read.

Mr. Allen presents a petition from sundry inhabitants of Harford county, praying that the donation may be withdrawn from Harford academy, and applied to the education of poor children in the said county; read and referred to Messrs. Allen, Norris and Chauncey; and a petition from certain citizens of Harford county, praying the donations may be withdrawn from the several academies and applied to the education of poor children; read and referred to the committee on similar subjects.

The bill for the benefit of William Lathrum, of Saint Mary's county, was read the second time, passed, and sent to the senate.

On motion by Mr. Steele, Ordered, that the bill for a lottery to cut a canal from Black water river to Parson's creek, have a second reading on the 20th instant.

The bill to prevent bullet playing in Middleburgh, in Frederick county, was read the second time, passed, and sent to the senate.

Ordered, That the bill establishing district equity courts, and new modelling the manner of the appointment of the justices of the orphans court, have a second reading on the 23rd instant.

Ordered, That the bill withdrawing the sum now given to the academies and colleges, have a second reading on the 24th instant.

Mr. Whiteford reports a bill entitled, An act for the benefit of Buckler Bond and others, of Harford county, and Mr. Stansbury reports a bill entitled, A supplement to an act entitled, An act to provide for a new assessment, and to appoint collectors of the tax in and for the city and county of Baltimore; which were read.

Mr. Whiteford presents a petition from sundry inhabitants of Harford county, counter to the one praying for a revision of a law relative to the alms house of said county; read and referred to the committee on the petition to which it is counter.

Mr. Thomas reports a bill entitled, An act to regulate the allowance to tenants by the curtesy in sales of real estate under the authority of the chancellor or county court; which was read.

The bill to permit John Piet, of the city of Baltimore, to bring certain negroes from Virginia into this state, and the bill regulating fences in Cecil county, were read the second time; and passed, and sent to the senate.

Mr. Drury presents a petition from sundry inhabitants of Washington county, praying for an

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