

Cosden, Hughes, Roberts, Slemaker, Norris, Chauncey, Allen, Whiteford, Boon, Saulsbury, Douglass, Greenwell, Hoffman, Pollard.—31. Resolved in the affirmative.

The house, according to the order of the day proceeded to the second reading of the bill to alter and amend the constitution of this state, so that the governor may be elected by the people.

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

Mr. J. P. Kennedy, from the committee of conference, reports the bill to incorporate the Avalon Society, with the amendments proposed by them incorporated in the same.

On motion by Mr. Teackle the following was added to the bill:

"And be it enacted, That nothing herein contained shall be construed to prohibit a repeal of this act at any time after the lapse of twenty years."

The question was put, Shall the said bill pass? Resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Purviance presents a petition from James Delany, praying a special act of insolvency; read and referred to Messrs. Purviance J. P. Kennedy and Douglass.

Mr. Purviance reports said bill; which was read.

Mr. Johason reports a bill, entitled, A supplement to an act, entitled, An act relating to the Maryland Penitentiary; and Mr. Allen reports a bill entitled, An act to withdraw the donation now given to Harford academy, and apply the same to the education of poor children; which were read.

The clerk of the senate delivers a bill, entitled, A further additional supplement to the act for the distribution of a certain fund for the purpose of establishing free schools in the several counties therein named, endorsed "will pass;" which was read. Also the bill in favor of Robert Wright, senr. of Queen-Anne's county, endorsed "will pass with the proposed amendment;" which was read, assented to, and the bill ordered to engrossed.

The bill concerning joint tenancy, endorsed "will pass with the proposed amendments;" which amendments were read, assented to, and the bill ordered to be engrossed.

The supplement to the act, entitled, An act relating to the paving of certain streets in the city of Baltimore, endorsed "will pass with the proposed amendment;" which was read, assented to, and the bill ordered to be engrossed. And the following message:

BY THE SENATE, February 18, 1823.

*Gentlemen of the House of Delegates*—The senate have reconsidered their amendment to the bill, entitled, "An act appointing commissioners to extend Washington-street in Rockville, and for other purposes," in compliance with your request of the 17th instant, and are obliged to adhere to it. The amendment was, the striking out a proviso at the end of the bill, prohibiting the payment of any compensation to the proprietors of the land through which the street intended to be extended would pass.

This proviso the senate think to be unconstitutional, and for that reason were at first, and still are, opposed to it. If the proprietors are willing to give up their property, without being paid for it, and they being the only persons immediately interested in the extension of the street referred to, the bill can be amended so as to make its operation depend on their giving that consent.

The senate would thus amend it, if they had the right to do so, but as the bill is now presented, the only question submitted to them is, whether they will adhere to recede from the amendment you have requested them to reconsider.

Which was read.

By order,

WM. KILTY, Clk.

On motion by Mr. John P. Kennedy, the bill for the benefit of Doctor John Trotter, was re-committed.

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

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 1823.

The House met. Present the same members as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read,

The bill to incorporate the Avalon company, was sent to the senate.

The supplement to the act, entitled, An act incorporating the Baltimore second dispensary, was read the second time.

On motion by Mr. Worthington, the 7th and 8th sections were stricken out, the bill was then passed and sent to the senate.

On motion by Mr. Stansbury, Mr. Wright was added to the committee on the communication from the state of Delaware, in the place of Mr. Kilgour, who is absent.

The report in favor of Enoch Claude, was read the second time, and the question put, that the house assent to the resolution therein contained? Determined in the negative.

On motion by Mr. John P. Kennedy the following order was read and assented to:

*Ordered*, That the auditor of the state furnish this house forthwith, all the accounts and vouchers for the same, which Washington G. Tuck has rendered against the state, for the various work done, and services performed by him, (excluding the accounts of the said Washington G. Tuck as armourer of the state already presented,) since the said auditor was first appointed, as well as the amount of monies drawn on the treasurer, for and in favor of the said Washington G. Tuck, during the time aforesaid.

On motion by Mr. Hoffman, the following message was read, assented to, and with the bill therein mentioned; sent to the senate.

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, February 19, 1823.

*Gentlemen of the Senate*.—We have rejected your amendment to the bill, entitled, A supplement to an act for the more effectual collection of the county charges of Allegany county,