

Mr. M. Mahon reports a bill, entitled, An act to explain and amend the act, entitled, An act to tax certain offices

Mr. Merrick reports a bill, entitled, An act respecting bank directors on the part of the state.

The resolution in favour of James Dooly was read the second time and assented to

On motion by Mr. Thomas, Ordered, That the bill relative to the time and manner of electing the senate, have a second reading on Saturday

On motion by Mr. Norris, Ordered, That the bill to diminish the expense of judicial proceedings have a second reading on to-morrow

On motion by Mr. Norris, the bill relative to a convention, was ordered to have a second reading on Saturday next

On motion by Mr. Wright, the question was put, That the house adjourn? The yeas and nays being required appeared as follow:

Affirmative—Messrs. Hawkins, Kilgour, Harris, Hodges, Gantt, Maxey, Dalrymple, Rogerson, Garner, Travers, Whotton, Nicholson, Wright, Cromwell, Kemp, Norris, Hardcastle, Barwick, Willson, Lee, Lansdale, Hoffman, M. Mahon, Lantz, Klipstine—25

Negative—Messrs. Speaker, Gough, McClean, Ireland, Chapman, Shower, Turner, Bennett, Lloyd, Reynar, Dennis, Teackle, King, Jones, Sullivan, Thomas, Henderson, Ewing, Grubb, R. C. Edelen, Duvall, Speed, Williams, Tingle, Parker, Hooper, Barnes, Hope, Jarrett, Montgomery, Tyson, Fouke, Beall—33

Determined in the negative.

The clerk of the senate returns the bill to exempt the rifle company commanded by Captain Ignatius Brown, from regimental and battalion musters endorsed "will pass." Ordered to be engrossed.

The bill to enlarge the powers of the trustees of the poor in the several counties of this state endorsed "will pass with the proposed amendments;" which amendments were read, assented to, and the bill ordered to be engrossed. And deliver the following message:

BY THE SENATE, February 9, 1825.

Gentlemen of the House of Delegates,

The senate received your message with the bill, entitled, A supplement to an act, entitled, An act to lay out and make public two roads therein mentioned in Cecil county, passed at December session 1821, chap. 27. The amendment to which proposed by the senate, has been rejected by your house. How the amendment "would entirely defeat the bill," the senate are at a loss to conceive. The right of appeal is given by the amendment to the parties under the direction of the levy court of the county. The commissioners, from whose judgment of damages appeal may now be made, were named in the original law. This provision of the law differs from the law afterwards passed in 1821, chap. 152, which empowers the levy court to name the commissioners in the first instance. The senate are of opinion, that the levy court composed of seven judicious men taken from different parts of the county, are more suitable and proper to select an impartial and competent jury to ascertain the damages in this case, than a sheriff. And the senate cannot suppose that the object of the bill to be other than to obtain an impartial tribunal to assess the damages. The law, to which this is a supplement, though considered advantageous to the public, was particularly so to the individuals through whose lands these roads pass, by making mill and market more convenient and accessible, and no tribunal of appeal, from the judgment of the commissioners, was provided, because it was believed that little or no damage would be required where such great advantages were obtained. These considerations alone are sufficient to shew, that the legislature could have had no intention by these two laws to deprive the parties of "that justice" to which they are entitled, but on the contrary to secure to them advantages not before enjoyed.

By order,

WM. KILTY, Clk.

Which was read.

Mr. Mason moved, that the house adjourn until to-morrow morning 9 o'clock?

The yeas and nays being required appeared as follow:

Affirmative—Mr. Speaker, Millard, Maxey, Chapman, Garner, Bennett, Spencer, King, Eccleston, Henderson, R. C. Edelen, Wright, Hope, Jarrett, Tyson, White, Beall, Lee, M. Mahon, Lantz, 29.

Negative—Mr. Kilgour, Harris, McClean, Ireland, Hodges, Estep, Shower, Worthington, Turner, Reynar, Dennis, Jones, Nicholson, Williams, Tingle, Hooper, Barnes, Cromwell, Kemp, Norris, Montgomery, Hardcastle, Barwick, Fouke, Lansdale, Hoffman, Teackle, 27. Determined in the negative.

Mr. M. Mahon renewed the motion to adjourn until to-morrow morning 9 o'clock?

Determined in the negative.

Mr. Thomas moved to adjourn? Determined in the negative.

Mr. Eccleston renewed the motion to adjourn? The yeas and nays being required appeared as follows:

Affirmative.—Messrs. Speaker, Estep, Worthington, Turner, Eccleston, Thomas, R. C. Edelen, Nicholson, Wright, Williams, Tingle, Hooper, Barnes, Cromwell, Kemp, Hope, Norris, Hardcastle, Lansdale—9.

Negative—Messrs. Kilgour, Ireland, Chapman, Shower, Spencer, Dennis, King, Henderson, Grubb, Jarrett, Montgomery, Barwick, Howard, Beall, Lee, Hoffman, M. Mahon, Lantz—18.

Resolved in the affirmative, and the house adjourned until 6 o'clock P. M.

SIX O'CLOCK P. M.

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

FRIDAY, February 11, 1825.

The house met. Present the same members as on yesterday, except Mr. Parran. The proceedings of yesterday were read

The resolution in favour of Capt. James Dooly, was sent to the senate.

On motion by Mr. Speed, Ordered, That the bill for the benefit of Charles Carroll of Carrollton,