

On the second reading of the bill respecting writs of error, and giving appeal in certain cases, Mr. Tyson moved to insert after the words 'wherein proceedings' the words 'are now pending or may hereafter be had.'

Mr. Beckett moved to refer the bill to the 1st of June? Resolved in the affirmative.

On motion by Mr. Speed, the supplement relating to writs of inquiry was indefinitely postponed.

On motion by Mr. Speed, the question was put, That the bill to authorise the orphans courts of this state to order the sale of real estates in certain cases, be referred to the 1st of June? Resolved in the affirmative.

The bill to authorise the courts of this state to grant divorces was read the second time and passed.

The bill to elect the levy court by the people was, on motion by Mr. Wootton, referred to the 1st of June.

The bill giving a salary to the adjutant general was read the second time and passed.

The bill to facilitate the administration of justice within this state was read the second time and amended.

Mr. M. Clean moved to add to the title "and to authorise any citizen thereof to deprive any other citizen of the right of trial by jury in certain cases." Mr. M. Mahon moved to add "and to give lawyers two fees instead of one." Determined in the negative.

Mr. Daval moved to refer the whole to the 1st of June? Determined in the negative. The question was then put on Mr. M. Clean's amendment. Determined in the negative.

The previous question was called for, and put, that is, Shall the main question be now put? Resolved in the affirmative.

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

Affirmative—Messrs. Millard, Harris, Ireland, Hodges, Rogerson, Shower, Turner, Teackle, Travers, Thomas, Henderson, Grubb R. C. Edelen, Wootton, Nicholson, Parker, Barnes, Cromwell, Farquhar, Kemp, Hope, Norris, Jarrett, Harcastle, Barwick, Brown, Bowles, Fouke, White, Merrick, Wilson, Hoffman, Klipsine—33.

Negative—Messrs. Speaker, Kilgour, M. Clean, Gantt, Maxcy, Estep, Beckett, Parran, Dalrymple, J. Edelen, Chapman, Worthington, Price, Bennett, Spencer, Lloyd, Dennis, King, Jones, Peach, Duvall, Carroll, Speed, Wright, Boon, Howard, Tyson, Beall Lee, Lansdale, M. Mahon—31. Resolved in the affirmative. The house adjourns until 5 o'clock, P. M.

FIVE O'CLOCK P. M. The house met. The members present adjourn until to-morrow morning 9 o'clock.

THURSDAY, February 24, 1825.

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

The bill to compensate the adjutant general; the bill to authorise the courts of this state to grant divorces; the bill to facilitate the administration of justice, were sent to the senate.

Mr. Farquhar obtained leave to bring in a bill, entitled, An act to compel the banks of this state to receive their certificates of money deposited in payment of debts due to the same bank. Ordered, That Messrs. Farquhar, Ireland and Teackle, report the same.

The clerk of the senate returns the bill for the revaluation of the real and personal property in Frederick county; the additional supplement to an act, entitled, An act for the recovery of small debts out of court, and to repeal the acts of assembly therein mentioned; the bill giving compulsory process after summons to procure the attendance of witnesses in causes and other proceeding in the high court of chancery, &c; the bill to repeal such parts of the constitution and form of government as relate to the division of Somerset county into election districts; the bill for the relief of Doctor Robert Wright of Queen-Anne's county; the bill to authorise the justices of the orphans court of Cecil county to appoint their clerk, and the bill to alter and change the name of John Ward, severally endorsed "will pass." Ordered to be engrossed. The bill to ascertain the salary of the clerk of the council; the bill for the relief of Jane Evans and Eliza Evans; the bill for the relief of Francis Preston; the bill for the support of Mary Adkins; the bill for the relief of Ann Dorsey; the bill for the relief of Mary Whitmore; the bill for the relief of John Copsey; the bill for the relief of Sarah Johnson; the bill for the relief of Elizabeth Gingle; the bill for the relief of Elizabeth Fowler; the bill to regulate the fees of constables in levying distresses; the bill to record and make valid a deed therein mentioned; the bill to provide for the support of the government of this state; and the bill to provide for the partition of the real estate of John Robinson, severally endorsed "will not pass." The bill to provide for the prompt settlement of public accounts, 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 authorising the levy court of Frederick county to provide a suitable room for holding the orphans court, endorsed "will pass with the proposed amendment;" which was read, assented to, and the bill ordered to be engrossed. The bill to widen Water-street endorsed "will pass with the proposed amendments;" which were read, assented to, and the bill ordered to be engrossed. The bill relating to the appointment of constables, endorsed "will pass with the proposed amendment;" which was read, assented to, and the bill ordered to be engrossed. The supplement to the act to regulate lotteries, endorsed "will pass with the proposed amendment;" which amendment was read, assented to, and the bill ordered to be engrossed. The further supplement to an act for the relief of the poor of Caroline county, endorsed "will pass with the proposed amendments;" which amendments were read, assented to, and the bill ordered to be engrossed. The resolutions in favour of Mathew Murray and Roger Hooper, severally endorsed "assented to." And delivers a bill, entitled, An act to form certain rifle companies therein mentioned into a regiment. A bill, entitled, An act for the relief of sundry poor persons in the several counties therein mentioned; and a bill, entitled, An act to prevent the reclaiming of slaves who have been permitted by their owners to act as free persons, severally endorsed "will pass;" which were read. And the following messages:

BY THE SENATE, Feb. 23, 1825.

Gentlemen of the House of Delegates,