

On the second reading of the said message, the question was put, That the senate reconsider said amendments? Resolved in the affirmative.

The question was then put, That the senate accede to said amendments? Determined in the negative.

The bill, entitled, An act extending the equity jurisdiction of the county courts, the bill, entitled, An act for incorporating the methodist episcopal churches, known by the name of The Light-street and Old-town Methodist Churches, in the city of Baltimore, in the state of Maryland, the bill, entitled, An act to incorporate the German lutheran society of the city of Baltimore, and the bill, entitled, An act to incorporate the presbyterian church of Pitt's creek hundred, in Worcester county, were severally read the second time and will not pass.

Mr. Johnson, from the committee of conference, delivers to the president the following report:

THE committee appointed to confer with the committee appointed by the senate on the amendments proposed by the senate to the bill for the valuation of real and personal property in this state, report, that the joint committee have taken the said amendments, which were not concurred in by this house, under their consideration, and have agreed, that in the room of the third amendment the following clause ought to be inserted,

"And be it enacted, That the governor and council shall, on or before the first day of February next, appoint, in the several counties of this state, five sensible, discreet and experienced persons in the several counties of this state, who shall be called commissioners of the tax, and they, or any three or more of them, shall be commissioners for the county for which they shall severally be appointed, and shall also appoint five persons more of them, shall be commissioners of the tax for the said city, and they, or any three or more of them, shall be commissioners of the tax for the said city; provided, that no clergyman, justice of the peace, or associate justice, register of wills, sheriff or inspector, shall be appointed a commissioner or assessor."

That in lieu of the seventh amendment the committee have agreed to the clause intended to be affected by that amendment, as follows: After the word "act" in the 7th line of the 8th section, insert "and the commissioners shall instruct the assessors not to value any land, except where improvements have been erected or destroyed by fire, or other accident, and except also in cases where the value of property has been diminished by fire, or other accident, and except also in cases where, on an appeal by the party interested, and on examination, they shall be of opinion the former valuation was erroneous or unjust, but that, except as before mentioned, the former valuation of land shall remain as at the passage of this act."

The committee further report, that the joint committee have agreed, and propose to strike out the word "have" in the fourth line of the 36th page, and then adopt the 20th amendment.

The committee further report, that they have agreed to adopt the eleventh amendment, as proposed, and that the committee on the part of the senate have receded from the twenty-second and twenty-third amendments.

By order,

J. B. DUCKETT, clk.

Which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Fossitt has leave of absence.

The senate adjourns until Monday morning 10 o'clock.

M O N D A Y, January 3, 1803.

THE senate met. Present the same members as on Saturday. The proceedings of Saturday were read.

The bill, entitled, An act extending the equity jurisdiction of the county courts, the bill, entitled, An act to incorporate the presbyterian church of Pitt's creek hundred, in Worcester county, the bill, entitled, An act to incorporate the German lutheran society of the city of Baltimore, the bill, entitled, An act for incorporating the methodist episcopal churches, known by the name of The Light-street and Old-town Methodist Churches, in the city of Baltimore, in the state of Maryland, the bill, entitled, An act to incorporate certain persons in every christian church or congregation in this state, and the resolutions relative to the stock of this state in the funds of Great-Britain, were sent to the house of delegates by the clerk.

The resolution in favour of Peregrine Briscoe was read the second time, assented to, and sent to the house of delegates by the clerk.

The bill, entitled, An act to incorporate the members of the Taney-town library company, in Frederick county, was read the second time, and the question put, That the said bill do pass with the proposed amendment?

Amendment proposed. Strike out the words "the aforesaid persons" in the second line of the first enacting clause, and insert "Henry Spalding, Joseph Taney, Thomas Jones, Roger Brooke, Daniel Boyle, Joseph Smith and Samuel Harris."

The yeas and nays being required, appeared as follow:

A F F I R M A T I V E.

Mr. Christie, Mr. Hollingsworth, Mr. Ringgold, Mr. Tyler, Mr. Worthington.

N E G A T I V E.

Mr. Harwood, president, Mr. Houston, Mr. McCulloch, Mr. Brown.

So it was resolved in the affirmative.