

surer, before he enters upon the duties of his office, shall take the following oath, or affirmation, as the case may be; that is to say, the president, and each director, before he enters upon the duties of his office, shall take the following oath, or affirmation, as the case may be: "I, _____ do swear, or affirm, that I will not directly or indirectly, make use of any money for the purpose of usury which I may obtain by loan or discount from the Union bank of Maryland, and that I will not buy or discount, or be interested in the buying or discounting, any note or obligation at a higher rate than legal interest, and that I will not suffer any person to obtain any discounts from the bank aforesaid whom I may know or believe to be in the practice of buying or discounting notes or obligations at unlawful interest;" and the president and each director, and the cashier or treasurer, shall take the following oath, or affirmation, as the case may be: "I, _____ will faithfully and diligently execute the duties of _____ of the Union bank of Maryland, agreeably to the provisions of the law, and the trusts reposed in me by the same, to the best of my knowledge and ability;" and any person taking the oath or affirmation aforesaid, and who shall, upon indictment, be convicted of perjury, such person shall suffer as in cases of wilful and corrupt perjury." The yeas and nays being required, appeared as follow:

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

Mr. Harwood, president, Mr. Fossitt, Mr. J. Johnson, Mr. T. Johnson, Mr. M'Culloch, Mr. Partridge, Mr. Shriver, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Whitely. 9.

N E G A T I V E.

Mr. Brown, Mr. Houston. 2.

So it was resolved in the affirmative.

The question was then put, Will the senate receive the following in lieu thereof? to wit: "The president, each director, cashier or treasurer, before he enters upon the duties of his office, shall take the following oath, or affirmation, as the case may be: "I, _____, do swear, or affirm, that I will faithfully, impartially, diligently and honestly, execute the duties of _____, agreeable to the provisions of law, and the trusts reposed in me, to the best of my skill and judgment." The yeas and nays being required, appeared as follow:

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

Mr. Harwood, president, Mr. Brown, Mr. Fossitt, Mr. J. Johnson, Mr. T. Johnson, Mr. M'Culloch, Mr. Partridge, Mr. Shriver, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Whitely. 10.

N E G A T I V E.

Mr. Houston. 1.

So it was resolved in the affirmative.

The bill being read throughout, the question was put, Shall this bill pass with the proposed amendment? Resolved in the affirmative.

Amendment proposed. Strike out the seventh fundamental article, and insert "The president, each director, cashier or treasurer, before he enters upon the duties of his office, shall take the following oath, or affirmation, as the case may be: "I, _____, do swear, or affirm, that I will faithfully, impartially, diligently and honestly, execute the duties of _____, agreeable to the provisions of law, and the trusts reposed in me, to the best of my skill and judgment."

The resolution directing the treasurer of the western shore to subscribe on behalf of the state for one hundred and thirty-four shares in the Bank of Baltimore, was read the second time by especial order, assented to, and sent to the house of delegates by the clerk.

Mr. Thomas and Mr. M'Culloch have leave of absence for a few days.

Mr. J. Johnson, from the committee to whom was recommitted the bill, entitled, An act to reduce into one the several acts of assembly respecting elections; and to regulate said elections, delivers the said bill as amended; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

The bill, entitled, An act to establish a bank, and incorporate a company, under the name of The Farmers Bank of Maryland, and for other purposes, and the bill, entitled, A supplement to an act, entitled, An act for the valuation of real and personal property, were sent to the house of delegates by the clerk.

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

S A T U R D A Y, December 22, 1804.

THE senate met. Present the same members as on yesterday, except Mr. Thomas and Mr. M'Culloch. The proceedings of yesterday were read.

The president laid before the senate a letter from the governor, enclosing accounts and vouchers for the expenditure of several sums of money appropriated by a resolution of the last session for repairing and furnishing the government-house; which was read and referred to the consideration of the house of delegates.

The bill, entitled, An act to reduce into one the several acts of assembly respecting elections, and to regulate said elections, was read the second time and will pass.

The clerk of the house of delegates delivers a bill, entitled, An act to compel the registers of wills in the several counties therein mentioned to keep each his office at the seat of justice in the county for which he shall be register, passed by that house December 22, 1804, and the following resolutions: