

*And be it enacted,* That no Quaker, Menonist, Tunker, or person conscientiously scrupulous of bearing arms, shall be exempt from militia duty, except he produce to the commanding officer of the company to which he belongs, a certificate agreeably to the first section of the act to which this is a supplement, any law to the contrary notwithstanding? Determined in the negative.

On motion by Mr. L. Duvall, the question was put, that the following be added to the said bill :

*And be it enacted,* That the last preamble to the act to which this is a further supplement, and the 53rd and 54th sections of said law be, and the same are hereby repealed? Determined in the negative.

On motion by Mr. Howard, the question was put, that the house reconsider the first and second clauses of said bill? Resolved in the affirmative.

On motion by Mr. Howard, the question was put, that the said clauses be stricken out? Resolved in the affirmative.

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

The house adjourns until 4 o'clock, P. M.

4 O'CLOCK.

The house met.

The clerk of the senate delivers the following message :

BY THE SENATE, June 18, 1812.

*Gentlemen of the House of Delegates,*

We have sent back the bill entitled, A further supplement to an act to alter the public road leading from Miles River Ferry, through the lands of Jacob Loockerman, of Talbot county; and hope, on a reconsideration, you will pass the same. Apprehending that the causes which have made this law necessary, are not generally known to the members of your house, we have deemed it necessary to make the following statement of facts:—The ferry in question has been for years the principal route to Easton from Miles River Neck, (a very populous district of the county); and on Easton the inhabitants of this district depend, not only for many necessaries in their families, but for medical aid; and many who heretofore could arrive at Easton by way of the ferry, after travelling four and five miles, will now be compelled to travel from twelve to fifteen miles. The person who last kept the ferry, has, since the session of the county court, hauled up his boat, and refused to keep it longer for the allowance heretofore granted by the court. In this situation it must remain until the November court, unless the law passed by us is assented to by you. The inconveniencies alone, resulting to the people of Miles River Neck from the present state of the ferry, would, we apprehend, call for legislative aid; but when we find them cut off almost from medical assistance, so