

The house proceeded to the second reading of the report of the committee to whom was referred the petition of Alexander C. Hanson and James Wagner. And on motion by Mr. Donaldson the question was put, that the same be referred to the consideration of the next general assembly.

The yeas and nays being required appeared as follow :

AFFIRMATIVE.

Messrs. Blackstone, Causin, Wm. Stewart, C. Hall, Belt, Wm. Hall, Reynolds, Turner, Dorsey, Stansbury, Harryman, Warner, Bayly, Long, Waller, Lecumpte, Guillish, Lushy, Pley, F. M. Hall, Claude, L. Davall, Wright, Emory, Stevens, Burgess, Handy, Davis, Delaplaine, Young, McDonald, Davidson, Barney, Wm. Williams, Sprigg, Cresap.—35.

NEGATIVE.

Messrs. Millard, Boyer, Taney, Emerson, Ford, Hamblton, Caldwell, Callis, Wilson, Quinton, Grahame, Potts, Potter, Hughtlett, Abram Jones, Kilgour, Crabb, Riggs, Perry, M'Culloh, Robinett.—21.

So it was resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Kilgour delivers a bill entitled, an act to authorise and empower the levy court of Montgomery county to appoint a constable for the town of Brookville in said county; which was read the first and second time by special order, passed and sent to the senate.

The bill providing for the calling out and detaching the militia; the bill for building barges, and the bill relating to the equity jurisdiction of the county courts; the resolution relative to the pay, maintenance and transportation of the drafted militia, and the engrossed bills from No. 1 to No. 9, inclusive were sent to the senate.

On motion by Mr. Potts, leave given to bring in a bill entitled, a further additional supplement to the act entitled, an act to regulate and discipline the militia of this state.

Ordered, that Messrs. Potts, Bayly and Emerson be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

The house proceeded to the consideration of the report of the committee to whom were referred such parts of the governor's communication as relate to the official correspondence with the executive of the United States, and to the future defence of this state. And the question was put, that the house assent to the first clause of the report. Resolved in the affirmative.

On motion by Mr. Claude the question was put, that the following paragraph be stricken out:

"Your committee are also of opinion that the constitution of the United States contemplated that each state, according to the probability and facility of invasion, shall alike participate in the maintenance of the general government, and that any preference displayed by the executive of the United States, either in yielding to one more prompt and general protection than to another, or assuming the payment of the necessary expenditures made by a state government for the protection of the state, and denying the like assumption to others for the like disbursements, is a departure from the impartiality contemplated by the constitution and would require from the state thus injured an unequivocal remonstrance against such an abandonment of constitutional duty."

The yeas and nays being required appeared as follow :

AFFIRMATIVE.

Messrs. Wm. Stewart, C. Hall, Belt, Wm. Hall, Stansbury, Harryman, Warner, Claude, L. Davall, Emory, Stevens, Burgess, Donaldson, Barney, Sprigg.—15.

NEGATIVE.

Messrs. Millard, Plater, Blackstone, Causin, Boyer, Reynolds, Taney, Turner, Emerson, Dorsey, Ford, Parnham, Hamblton, Caldwell, Banning, Seth, Bayly, Long, A. E. Jones, Jno. Stewart, Lecumpte, Evans, Lushy, Hogg, Fey, F. M. Hall, Callis, Wright, T. N. Williams, Wilson, H. B. Quinton, Grahame, Davis, Potts, Delaplaine, Potter, Young, Hughtlett, M. Donald, Wm. Williams, Abram Jones, Kilgour, Crabb, Riggs, Perry, M'Culloh, Robinett, Cresap.—29.

So it was determined in the negative.

On motion by Mr. Donaldson the question was put, that the following word be stricken out "communicated to the secretary of war the defenceless state of Annapolis," and that the following be inserted, viz: "addressed a letter to the secretary of war stating the defenceless condition of Annapolis, which does not appear to have come to hand." Resolved in the affirmative.

On motion by Mr. Dorsey the question was put, that the following words be inserted after the words "deprivations of the enemy," in the third clause of the report, viz: "and enquired, in the event of the militia of the state being called out for its defence, whether the expence would be defrayed by the United States?" Resolved in the affirmative.

On motion by Mr. Donaldson the question was put, that the following be inserted after the amendment last assented to.

"That a delegation of the citizens of Annapolis having represented the exposed condition of that city on the twentieth of March, the secretary of war denying that any previous application for aid from the governor and council had been received in the war department, ordered into requisition a detachment of drafted militia for the defence of Annapolis, to consist of four hundred and seventy infantry and thirty cavalry, with the due proportion of officers.

The yeas and nays being required appeared as follow :

AFFIRMATIVE.

Messrs. Wm. Stewart, C. Hall, Belt, Wm. Hall, Stansbury, Harryman, Warner, Claude, L. Davall, Wright, Emory, Stevens, Burgess, Forwood (of Jacob) Donaldson, Barney, Wm. B. Williams, Sprigg.—18.

NEGATIVE.

Messrs. Millard, Plater, Blackstone, Causin, Boyer, Reynolds, Taney, Turner, Emerson, Stone street, Dorsey, Ford, Parnham, Hamblton, Caldwell, Banning, Seth, Long, A. E. Jones, Waller,