

Which was read the first and second time by special order and concurred in.

The report on the petition of William C. Somerville, was read the second time, and the question put that the house concur in the report and assent to the resolution therein contained. Determined in the negative.

Mr. Crabb delivers a petition from Thomas Murphy, of Montgomery county, an old soldier.— Which was read and referred to Messrs. Crabb, Riggs and Jones.

Mr. Kell delivers a petition from Mary Christfield, of Baltimore, praying a divorce. Which was read and referred to Messrs. Kell, Warner and Dallam.

Mr. Bradford delivers a bill entitled, an act for the relief of John Meek and Ann his wife, of the state of Ohio; and Mr. J. Thomas a bill entitled, an act to incorporate a company to make a turnpike road from the turnpike leading from Westminster, through Harman's Gap, to Hagers' Town, to Emmitsburg, in Frederick county. Which were severally read.

The clerk of the senate delivers the bill entitled, a supplement to the act entitled, an act to incorporate a bank to be called by the name of the Farmers' Bank of Somerset and Worcester, endorsed, "will not pass." The bill entitled, an act for the relief of Walter Price, of the city of Annapolis, and the bill entitled, an act for the benefit of Ann Hollidayoke, of the city of Annapolis, severally endorsed, "will pass." Ordered to be engrossed. And the bill entitled, an act to authorise the transcribing of certain land records of Hardford county court, endorsed, "will pass with the proposed amendment;" which amendment was read, assented to and the bill ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Ford delivers a bill entitled, an act for the benefit of the heirs of Robert Hanson Harrison, late of Charles county, deceased. Which was read.

On motion by Mr. Duvall, leave given to bring in a bill entitled, an act to pay the civil list and other expenses of civil government. Ordered, that Messrs. Duvall, Potter and Dorsey be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

The house resumed the consideration of the bill entitled, an act to provide for the better defence of the state, and prevent the necessity of frequent calls of the militia; and on motion by Mr. Crabb, the question was put, that the blank in the eleventh section of the bill, which regulates the bounty to be paid to recruits, be filled up with fifty dollars? The yeas and nays being required, appeared as follow:

AFFIRMATIVE.

Messrs. Millard, Neale, Boyer, Spencer, Browne, Hood, Dorsey, Turner, Stonestreet, Jenkins, Warner, Stansbury, Harryman, Hambleton, Seth, Bayly, Waller, Toot II, Lecompte, Griffith, Beard, Mitchell, Beall, Somerville, Waring, Duvall, Wright, Handy, Quinton, Fowood of Jb. Dallam, Bradford, Barney, Kell, Tilghman, Schnebly, Gabby, Mason, Jones, Crabb, Riggs, Lantz, M'Mahon.—43

NEGATIVE.

Mr. Speaker, pro tem. Messrs. B. Hands, Ford, Caldwell, A. Hands, Cottman, Evans, Claude, Wilson, J. Thomas, Howard, Taney, Potter, M'Donald, Kilgour, Hilleary, Tomlinson.—17.

So it was resolved in the affirmative.

On motion by Mr. A. Hands, the question was put, that the following section be added to the bill:

"*And be it enacted*, That the governor and council be, and are hereby authorised and required, previous to the raising of the whole or any part of said troops, to obtain from the president of the United States assurances that two fifths of the number raised, shall be stationed on the Eastern Shore of Maryland, except in cases of emergency? The yeas and nays being required, appeared as follow:

AFFIRMATIVE.

Mr. Speaker, p. r. Messrs. Boyer, B. Hands, Spencer, Browne, Stonestreet, Caldwell, Hambleton, Seth, A. Hands, Bayly, Waller, Cottman, Tootell, Lecompte, Griffith, Beard, Mitchell, Hogg, Evans, Wilson, Handy, Williams, Quinton, J. Thomas, Howard, Potter, M'Donald, Lantz, Hilleary, Tomlinson.—31.

NEGATIVE.

Messrs. Millard, Neale, Hood, Dorsey, Turner, Ford, Jenkins, Warner, Stansbury, Harryman, Beall, Somerville, Waring, Claude, Duvall, Wright, Taney, Fowood of Jb. Dallam, Bradford, Barney, Kell, Tilghman, Schnebly, Gabby, Mason, Kilgour, Crabb, Riggs, M'Mahon.—30.

So it was resolved in the affirmative.

On motion by Mr. Stonestreet, the question was put, that the following preamble and section be added to the bill:

And whereas, according to the terms of the constitution of the United States, it is the duty of the general government, to provide for the common defence, and for that purpose adequate power is vested in them to control the resources of the country, and it would therefore be inexpedient for this general assembly to lay taxes and impositions upon the people of this state, in addition to those which they have already to pay to the general government; therefore,

Be it enacted, That the provisions of this act shall not be carried into effect, and shall not in any wise be considered as operative, until the executive of this state shall have received from the government of the United States, an explicit and satisfactory assurance that the said government will forthwith defray the expenses to be incurred in the execution of this act. The yeas and nays being required, appeared as follow:

AFFIRMATIVE.

Mr. Speaker, Messrs. Neale, Stonestreet, Ford, Bayly, Waller, Cottman, Tootell, Griffith, Wil-