

Baltimore and Susquehanna turnpike company, passed by the senate, January 25. And the bill entitled, an act to alter and repeal such parts of the constitution and form of government of this state, as relate to the division of Alleghany county, into election districts, accompanied by the following message :

BY THE SENATE, January 25, 1815.

*Gentlemen of the House of Delegates,*

The house received your message of the 21st instant, requesting a re-consideration of the bill entitled, an act to alter and repeal such parts of the constitution and form of government of this state, as relate to the division of Alleghany county, into election districts, and decline re-considering the same. If the free citizens of Alleghany experienced that inconvenience which is expressed in your message, for the want of two additional election districts, they certainly would have petitioned for that purpose, more particularly as notice was given that a petition would be presented, the omission to do which evinces that the freemen of Alleghany do not wish the provisions of the bill carried into effect.

By order,

THOS. ROGERS, Clk.

Which was read.

Also the bill entitled, an additional supplement to the act entitled, an act for establishing a company for opening and extending the navigation of the river Potomac, endorsed, "will pass with the proposed amendments;" which amendments were read, assented to, and the bill ordered to be engrossed.

On motion by Mr Williams, the question was put, that the house adjourn until this evening at 5 o'clock? Resolved in the affirmative, and the house adjourned.

POST MERIDIEM, 5 o'clock.

**The house met.**

Mr Beall delivers a bill entitled, an act for the benefit of John Darnall, contractor for the supply of the militia of Prince George's county. Which was read the first and second time by special order, passed and sent to the senate.

Mr Stansbury delivers a petition from Ruth Carroles, counter to the petition of Charels Carroles Which was read and referred to the committee on the petition to which it is counter.

The house resumed the consideration of the bill entitled, an act to regulate and discipline the militia of this state; and Mr. Crabb moved to refer the further consideration thereof to the next general assembly?

On motion by Mr. Thomas, the question was put, that the house receive the following as an amendment to the motion for reference.

The bill entitled, an act to regulate and discipline the militia of this state, having occupied the attention of the house at this late and busy period of the session for the last two days, during which no further progress has been made in it than in the consideration of two sections out of ninety-seven in the bill, as reported; and the said bill containing divers difficult provisions of more rigour and severity than the militia of Maryland have been accustomed to; and it being therefore desirable that fair opportunity should be afforded to the people of this state of considering the principles of the said bill, so that their delegates may be better informed of their opinion and wishes on the subject thereof. Ordered, that the bill as originally reported, entitled, an act to regulate and discipline the militia of this state, be printed in such newspapers as the executive may direct, for the information of the people of this state, and be referred to the consideration of the general assembly at their next session; and that in order, to supply and remedy the more apparent defects and evil existing in the present militia system, as far as it may be necessary and practicable to do so, at this time, a committee of five members be immediately appointed, who are hereby instructed to prepare, with all convenient brevity, a supplementary act for the purpose aforesaid, and report the same to the house as speedily as possible? Resolved in the affirmative.

On motion by Mr. Dorsey, the motion as amended, was divided, and the question was put, that the house assent to so much thereof as directs the printing and reference of the bill? The yeas and nays being required appeared as follow:

**AFFIRMATIVE.**—Mr. Speaker, Messrs. Millard, Neale, Blackstone, Boyer, Browne, Hood, Hopkins, Reynolds, Stonestreet, Ford, Jenkins, Bayly, Waller, Griffith, Hogg, Beall, Handy, Williams, Quinton, Howard, Taney, J. H. Thomas, Jones, Crabb, Riggs, Lantz, Hilleary, M'Mahon.—29

**NEGATIVE.**—Messrs. Dorsey, Blake, Turner, Randall, Warner, Stansbury, Harryman, Caldwell, Hambleton, Seth, Mitchell, Van Horn, Duvall, Emory, Burgess, Wright, Stevens, Forwood, of Jb. Dallam, Bradford, Barney, Kell, Tilghman, Schnebly, Gabby.—25

So it was resolved in the affirmative.

The question was then put, that the house assent to the remaining part of the motion? Resolved in the affirmative. Messrs. Barney, Blackstone, B. Hands, Tilghman and Hood, were appointed a committee.

The report of the committee appointed to bring in a bill supplementary to the act for building a bridge over Great Choptank river, at or near Dover ferry, was read the second time, concurred in, and the resolution therein contained assented to.

The bill entitled, an act relating to the judges of the several courts of this state, was read the second time by special order and passed.

Mr. Randall delivers a petition from sundry inhabitants of Baltimore county, praying a law for the preservation of deer in said county. Which was read and referred to Messrs. Randall, Warner and Stansbury.

On motion by Mr. Van Horn the following message was read and agreed to:

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, January 25, 1815