

WEDNESDAY, February 4, 1818.

The senate met. Present the same members as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read. Mr. Carmichael from the committee reported a bill, entitled, A supplement to an act, entitled, An act authorising a lottery to raise a sum of money for the improvement of the navigation of Corsica Creek in Queen Anne's county; which was read the first, and by special order the second and third time, and the question being put, Shall this bill pass? The yeas and nays being required appeared as follow.

AFFIRMATIVE.

Messrs. Calvert, Carmichael, Dorsey, Jackson, Magruder, Taney.—6.

NEGATIVE

Mr. President, Messrs. Cresap, Emerson.—3.

So it was determined in the affirmative, and sent to the house of delegates by the clerk.

The bill, entitled, An act for the relief of Rezin Wilcoxon of Montgomery county, was read the second, and by special order the third time, passed, and sent to the house of delegates by the clerk.

The bill, entitled, An act to prevent the inconveniencies arising from slaves being permitted to act as free, was read the third time and will pass with the proposed amendments, and sent to the house of delegates by the clerk.

On motion of Mr. Jackson, the following order was read and adopted:

IN SENATE, February 4, 1818.

Ordered, That the law entitled, A supplement to the act, entitled, An act to prevent the inconveniencies arising from slaves being permitted to act as free, be published immediately in the different newspapers of this state in which the laws are published. By order, R. HARWOOD, Clk.

The bill, entitled, An act to provide for building bridges over Patuxent river, was read the second, and by special order the third time, and will pass with the proposed amendment, and sent to the house of delegates by the clerk.

The bill, entitled, An act authorising the levy court of Calvert county to levy a sum of money on the assessable property of said county for the purposes therein mentioned, was read the second, and by special order the third time, and will pass.

The bill, entitled, A supplement to an act, entitled, An act for the distribution of a certain fund for the purpose of establishing free schools in the several counties therein mentioned, was read the third time and will pass.

The bill, entitled, A supplement to an act, entitled, An act for the promotion of literature in this state, was read the third time and will pass. The bill, entitled, An act to empower the county court of Queen Anne's county to divide the real estate therein mentioned, was read the second, and by special order the third time, and will pass. Severally sent to the house of delegates by the clerk.

The bill, entitled, An act for the benefit of the heirs of John Brown, late of Montgomery county, deceased, was read the third time, and the question being put, Shall this bill pass with the proposed amendment? The yeas and nays being required appeared as follow:

AFFIRMATIVE.

Mr. President, Messrs. Cresap, Calvert, Dorsey, Hollyday, Jackson, Magruder.—7.

NEGATIVE

Messrs. Carmichael, Gale, Maxcy, Taney.—4.

So it was determined in the affirmative, and sent to the house of delegates by the clerk.

The bill, entitled, An act to repeal an act, entitled, An act making a public landing place in Somerset county, and for other purposes, was read the second, and by special order the third time, passed, and sent to the house of delegates by the clerk.

The clerk of the house of delegates delivers the following bills: a bill, entitled, An act to alter and amend a road from Clement Green's mill in Harford county, passed by the house of delegates, was read the third time and will not pass. The bill, entitled, An act to lay out and make public a road in Anne Arundel county, Montgomery, and Frederick counties, was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table. And returns the bill, entitled, An act to authorise the trustees from Calvert county for Charlotte Hall School to secede from the management thereof, and for other purposes, endorsed by that house, "will pass." And the bill, entitled, An act for opening Centre street in the city of Baltimore, endorsed by that house, "will pass." Ordered to be engrossed. Also the following resolution:

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, February 3, 1818.

Whereas, it is in the contemplation of the government of the United States to establish a Naval Depot at some place best fitted to answer the purposes of providing for the common defence and promoting the general welfare: and whereas, the harbour of Annapolis is in all respects well adapted to answer those important views, by reason of its central position, and other weighty considerations, if it should be selected for that purpose, provided the navigation into the Severn river should be facilitated by the removal of small and inconsiderable obstruction near the mouth of said river; therefore, Resolved, That the treasurer of the western shore, under the direction of the governor and council, pay to John Randall, Henry Maynadier, Jeremiah Hughes, Nicholas Brewer, and Francis Hollingsworth, the sum of twenty five thousand dollars current money, out of any unappropriated money in the treasury, to be applied to cutting a channel through an obstruction or bar at or near the mouth of Severn river, so as to render the ingress into said harbour, of vessels of the largest class, perfectly free from all difficulties; provided however, that before the said sum of twenty-five thousand dollars, or any part thereof, shall be paid to the said John Randall, Henry Maynadier, Jeremiah Hughes, Nicholas Brewer, and Francis Hollingsworth, or either of them, they shall give their bond to the state of Maryland, in the penalty of fifty thousand dollars current money, with securities to be approved by the governor and council, binding themselves, and their said securities, their heirs, executors and administrators, jointly and severally, that the said sum of twenty-five thousand dollars, and every part thereof, shall be faithfully and exclusively applied to the purpose aforesaid, which said bond shall be recorded in the office of the court of appeals for the western shore, and upon the same, or a certified copy thereof, suit or suits may be instituted in the name and for the use of the state, if the said money, or any part thereof, shall be applied to any purpose or use other than contemplated by this resolution; provided always, that no money shall be paid under this resolution unless the governor and council shall be assured that the city of Annapolis, or some place in its neighbourhood, will be the place fixed on for the Naval Depot.

By order,

L. GASSAWAY, Clk:

Which was read the first time.