

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

The clerk of the council delivers a communication from the executive, relative to militia claims, which was read and referred to the house of delegates.

The bill, entitled, An act authorising Charles Gwinn and company to extend their wharf on Commerce street in the city of Baltimore, was read the second time, and referred to Messrs. West, Carmichael and Taney, to consider and report thereon.

Mr. Taney from the committee reported a bill, entitled, A supplement to the act, entitled, An act relating to negroes, and to repeal the acts of assembly therein mentioned; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

The president laid before the senate the following letter from the honourable George Winchester.

BALTIMORE, 10th February 1819.

SIR,—I beg leave to tender my resignation of a seat in the senate of Maryland, which a sense of the duty I owe to a growing family, forbids me longer to retain. In parting from a body whom I have known so long and intimately, and acted with so much satisfaction, I cannot omit the expression of my sincere regard for yourself and the gentlemen composing the senate.

I have the honour to be, Sir, your most obedient servant,

GEO. WINCHESTER.

To the hon. Wm. Spencer president of the Senate of Maryland.

Which was read.

The bill, entitled, An act for settling the western limits of this state, and the dividing line and boundary between this state and the commonwealth of Virginia, was read the second time.

The resolution in favour of Daniel Jenifer Esq. was read the second and by special order the third time, assented to, and sent to the house of delegates by the clerk.

The bill, entitled, An act for the better protection of slaveholders in the several counties therein mentioned, was read the second time.

The senate adjourns until to-morrow morning 10 o'clock.

SATURDAY, February 13, 1819.

The senate met. Present the same members as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read.

The bill, entitled, An act for the more effectual recovery of small debts out of court, was read the second, and by special order the third time, and postponed for further consideration.

The senate, agreeable to order, proceeded to the second reading of the bill, entitled, An act to facilitate the recovery of debts due from the several banks in this state, and to compel the said banks to pay specie for their notes, or forfeit their charters. In progression in reading, Mr. Carmichael moved the following amendment. In the 3rd line, 1st section insert after the word "recovered" "judgment for." Determined the affirmative.

Mr. Carmichael then moved to strike out, in the 8th line 7th section, the words "in the case." Determined in the affirmative.

Mr. West then moved to strike out the 8th section? Determined in the affirmative.

Mr. West then moved to strike out the 9th section? Determined in the affirmative.

Mr. Gale then moved to strike out the word "two," in 1st line 13th section, and insert the word "five." Determined in the affirmative.

Mr. West then moved to insert after the word "bank" in 3rd line 6th section, "which said commissioners shall not be directors of the said bank." Determined in the affirmative, which said amendment, on reconsideration was rejected.

Mr. Taney then moved to strike out after the word "which" in the 14th section of the bill, to the end of the section, and insert, "regularly paid specie for its notes from the first day of May last to the first day of October last." Determined in the affirmative.

Mr. Gale then moved to add the following section to the end of the bill. And be it enacted, that in payment of any debt due to, or judgment obtained by a bank or banks in this state, or by the commissioners which may be appointed under the provisions of this act, the note or notes of the bank to whom the debt is due, or by or for whom the judgment has been obtained, shall be received in payment at the full value contained in the promise made by said note or notes." Determined in the affirmative.

The bill, entitled, A supplement to the act, entitled, An act relating to negroes, and to repeal the acts of assembly therein mentioned, was read the second and third time by special order, 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 supplementary to the act to regulate lotteries; a bill, entitled, An act authorising the building of a bridge over the river Patapsco at the lower ferry; which were severally read the first time. A resolution in favour of the commissioners of the school fund for Baltimore county; and a resolution relative to the Cumberland bank road; which were read the first time and severally ordered to lie on the table.

The bill, entitled, An act authorising Charles Gwinn and company to extend their wharf on Commerce street in the city of Baltimore, was read the third time by special order, passed, and sent to the house of delegates by the clerk.

The clerk of the house of delegates delivers a bill, entitled, An act for the benefit of the Rockville Roman Catholic Congregation, which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table. And returns the bill, entitled, An act to prevent the passing of bank notes within this state at a rate below their nominal value, endorsed by that house, "read the second time and will not pass."

Mr. Gale from the committee to whom the petition of Robert Welch (of Ben.) was referred, reported a bill, entitled, An act to reinstate in the county court of Talbot county, the proceedings in certain cases therein mentioned; which was read the first, and by special order the second and third time, passed, and sent to the house of delegates by the clerk.

The bill, entitled, A supplement to the act, entitled, An act for the better regulation of the militia of the city of Baltimore, was read the second time.

The senate adjourns until Monday morning, 10 o'clock.