

The clerk of the house of delegates delivers a bill, entitled, An act laying duties on licenses to retailers of dry goods, and for other purposes; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

The senate resumed the consideration of the bill for the relief of Susanna Teas of Washington county; and on motion of Mr. Taney, the question was put, Will the senate receive the following as amendments to said bill? 1. Strike out the first section. 2. Strike out the word "and" beginning of 2d section. 3. After the word "enacted" same section insert the words "by the general assembly of Maryland." 4. Strike out the words "the said" same line same section. 5. Insert the word "acquire" at the end of the 1st line same section. 6. Strike out the word "said" 2d line same section. 7. After the words "Susanna Teas" 2d line 2d section insert the words "of Washington county." Resolved in the affirmative.

The bill was then read as amended, and the question put, Shall the said bill as amended pass? Resolved in the affirmative.

The bill to repeal an act passed at December session eighteen hundred and seventeen, entitled, An act to impose a tax on all banks or branches thereof in the state of Maryland, not chartered by the legislature, was read the third time by special order and will not pass.

The bill to punish the offence of kidnapping white children, was read the second and third time by special order, and will pass with the proposed amendments. Amendments proposed. 1. Strike out in 4th line enacting clause the figures "12" and insert the word "sixteen" 2. Strike out the words "one year" 6th line same clause and insert "five years" 3. Same line same clause strike out the word "seven" and insert "twelve."

The bill for the relief of John Carey of Worcester county, was read the second time and laid on the table.

The bill for the benefit of Robert Soaper of Montgomery county, was read the second time and laid on the table.

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

## TUESDAY, February 8, 1820.

The senate met. Present the same members as on yesterday, except Mr. Hughlett. The proceedings of yesterday were read.

The bill to punish the offence of kidnapping white children; the bill relating to the Surgical Institution of Baltimore, the bill to authorise the judges of the first judicial district to convey the lands therein mentioned; the bill providing for the valuation of the real and personal property in Charles and Dorchester counties; the bill authorising a lottery or lotteries for the purpose of finishing the Susquehanna bridge now building at the Conowingo Falls; the bill for the benefit of the children of the late William H. Dorsey of Montgomery county; the bill to repeal an act passed at December session eighteen hundred and seventeen, entitled, An act to impose a tax on all banks or branches thereof in the state of Maryland not chartered by the legislature; and the bill for the relief of Susanna Teas of Washington county, were sent to the house of delegates.

The supplement to an act, entitled, An act to repeal all such parts of the laws of this state as authorise the courts of law to sentence negro or mulatto slaves to undergo a confinement in the penitentiary, was returned to the house of delegates with the following message:

BY THE SENATE, February 8, 1820.

*Gentlemen of the House of Delegates,*

The senate have received your amendments accompanying the bill, entitled, A supplement to an act, entitled, An act to repeal all such parts of the laws of this state as authorise the courts of law to sentence negro or mulatto slaves to undergo a confinement in the penitentiary. The senate think that the first amendment proposed by you unnecessary. The title of the act to which this is a supplement, embraces free negroes and mulattoes, but the enacting clauses do not. We think that the law would be more explicit without this amendment, and hope you will recede from it. The second amendment if made to correspond with the lines of the engrossed instead of the printed bill, as well as the other amendments, will meet with the concurrence of the senate.

By order,

J. N. WATKINS, clk.

On motion, the executive communication of the 7th inst. with the accompanying documents, was sent to the house of delegates.

The bill to prevent swine from going at large in Union-town, of Frederick county, was read the third time by special order, and will pass. Sent to the house of delegates.

The bill for the benefit of Robert Soaper of Montgomery county, was read the third time by special order, and will not pass. Sent to the house of delegates.

The bill for the relief of John Carey of Worcester county, was read the third time by special order, passed, and sent to the house of delegates.

The supplement to an act, entitled, An act to increase the pay of the judges of the orphans court in the counties of Baltimore, Dorchester, and Washington, so far as the same relates to the county of Baltimore, was read the second and third time by special order and will pass.

The bill relating to the school fund for Washington county, was read the second time and laid on the table.

The further supplement to the act, entitled, An act for the distribution of a certain fund for the purpose of establishing free schools in the several counties therein named, was read the third time and will not pass.

The supplement to an act, entitled, An act for the better regulation of the militia of the city of Baltimore, passed at December session 1817, was read the second, and by special order the third time and will pass with the proposed amendments. Amendments proposed 1. In the 3d line 1st section, strike out the word "seven." 2. Strike out the 3d section and insert the following: "And be it enacted, That every Quaker, Menonist and Tunker, or other person conscientiously scrupulous of bearing arms, resident in the city of Baltimore, and who is or shall hereafter be a contributor to the amount of seven dollars and fifty cents, annually, to the Baltimore General Dispensary, or to the Baltimore Second Dispen-