

Also the engrossed bills from No. 1 to No. 41; which were read and assented to, and returned to the house of delegates.

Mr. Johnson from the committee to whom was referred the supplement to the act to amend and reduce into one system the laws to direct descents, reported the same with the following amendments:

1st. In the 6th line of the 1st section, after the word "having" strike out the words "completely executed the commission directed to them or any order made in connection therewith," and insert the words "completed their trust."

2d. In the 8th line of the 1st section, strike out after the word "or" the word "such" and insert the word "the."

3d. In the same line of the same section after the word "whom" strike out the word "such" and insert "the."

4th. In the 9th line same section after the word "by" strike out the word "the."

5th. In the 11th line of the same section, strike out the words "addition to the survivor or survivors of such," and insert the words "the place of such deceased."

6th. In the 12th line of the same section after the word "commissioner" insert the words "the same number of."

7th. In the same line of the same section after the word "of" strike out the words "proceeding in the execution and completion of the commission originally issued, or of any order made in pursuance thereof" and insert the words "completing said trust."

8th. In the 17th line of the same section after the word "towards" strike out the words "the execution thereof" and insert the words "completing their trust."

9th. In the 18th line of the same section after the word "commissioners" strike out all that follows to the end of that section.

10th. In the 2d line of the 2d section, after the word "issue" strike out the words "a warrant in nature of a" and insert the word "another."

11th. In the 3d line of the same section after the word "the" strike out the words "survivor or survivors of the" and insert the words "surviving commissioner or."

12th. In the 8th line same section, strike out the words "if more than two."

13th. In the 9th line of the same section, strike out the words "in the execution and completion of the original commission" and insert the words "to the completion of the said trust."

14th. In the 10th line same section, after the word "said" strike out the word "warrant" and insert the words "second commission."

15th. In the 12th line same section, after the word "receiving" strike out the words "notice of the said warrant," and insert the words "said second commission."

16th. In the 13th line same section, strike out the word "repair."

17th. In the 14th line same section, strike out the word "and."

18th. In the 16th line same section, strike out the word "warrant" and insert the words "second commission."

19th. In the same line, same section, after the word "warrant" strike out the words "and proceed in the execution and completion of the original commission therein named."

20th. In the 20th line same section, strike out the word "duly."

21st. In the 21st line same section, strike out the words "endorse his certificate to the warrant or."

22d. In the last line strike out the words "it to the same" and insert the words "his certificate to the said second commission."

23d. At the end of the bill and the following as an additional section.

*And be it enacted*, That the commissioners appointed by virtue of this act, shall have and they are hereby vested with the same power and authority to complete the aforesaid trust, that would have been used or exercised by the commissioners appointed by the first commission.

Which amendments were read and assented to, and the bill being read a second, and by special order a third time, the question was put, shall the bill as amended pass? Determined in the affirmative.

Mr. Cockey from the committee to whom was referred the bill, entitled, An act for the benefit of Dennis Hill and Sophia Liviss, of Frederick county, reported the same with the following amendments:

1st. Strike out the whole of the preamble of the bill, and insert the following, "Whereas it is represented to this general assembly, by the petition of George Hoffman, administrator of Clara Johnson, that the said Clara being a free woman of colour, died intestate, leaving Dennis Hill, her brother, and Sophia Liviss, her sister, her nearest relations, and that the said Dennis and Sophia have been manumitted by the last will and testament of Francis Hoffman, late of said county, deceased, to be free at the respective periods following, to wit: Dennis to be free on the first day of April, eighteen hundred and thirty-six, and Sophia on the first day of April, eighteen hundred and twenty-six. And it is further represented, that the said Clara died possessed of certain personal property consisting in part of bank stock in the Mechanics' Bank of Baltimore; and it appearing reasonable that the interest which the state may have in the personal estate of said Clara, should be released to the said Dennis and Sophia, therefore."

2nd. Strike out the first section, and insert in lieu thereof the following: "Be it enacted by the general assembly of Maryland, that all the right, interest or claim, which the state of Maryland may or can have in the personal estate of the said Clara Johnson, deceased, be and the same is hereby granted, released and relinquished, to George Hoffman, his executors and administrators, in trust to, and for the said Dennis and Sophia, their executors, administrators and assigns, in equal parts; and the said trustee is hereby authorised to ask, demand, sue for, and receive, all or any part of the said personal estate, and the same or the proceeds thereof, to dis-