

for the benefit of said institution, was read a third time.

Mr. Johnson moved to strike out the following section of the bill:

"4th. And be it enacted, That Thomas Bullin, trustee as aforesaid, shall convey by a good and sufficient deed of bargain and sale, the aforesaid described land, clear of all incumbrances whatever, to the said board of trustees, for the use and benefit of the people of said county, and the institution aforesaid," for the purpose of inserting the following, viz:

"4th. And be it enacted, That on the payment of the purchase money of said property, by the said trustees of the poor of Queen-Anne's county, or their successors, to the said Thomas Bullin, or to any other person who may be authorised to receive the same, or before such payment, if the parties should agree thereto, the said trustees shall be and they are hereby authorised, to receive a good and sufficient deed of conveyance of said property from the person or persons having power and authority to make the same, and the said property, when so conveyed, shall be held by said trustees for the use and benefit of the people of Queen-Anne's county."

And the question was put, Will the senate assent to the amendment? Determined in the affirmative.

The bill having been read throughout, as amended, the question was put, Shall the bill pass? Determined in the affirmative, and it was sent to the house of delegates.

The bill for the benefit of Catharine Byran, of Kent, county, was read a third time, amended passed, and sent to the house of delegates.

The clerk of the house of delegates delivered a bill for the relief of William Lathrum, of Saint Mary's county; a bill, entitled, An act relating to the public roads in Caroline county; a bill, entitled, An act for the relief of John Garner, of Charles county; a bill, entitled, An act to regulate a dangerous practice in the stone quarries on the Falls turnpike road near Baltimore; a bill, entitled, An act to permit John Piet, of the city of Baltimore, to bring certain negroes from Virginia into this state; a bill, entitled, A further supplement to an act to erect a bridge over the Narrows of Kent Island, in Queen-Anne's county, passed December session eighteen hundred and nineteen; a bill, entitled, An act regulating fences in Cecil county; a bill, entitled, An act for the benefit of John Lane, of Frederick county; and a bill, entitled, An act to prevent bullet playing in Middleburg, in Frederick county; which were severally read the first time and laid on the table.

Mr. Johnson, from the committee, to whom was referred the message from the house of delegates of the 3d instant, relative to the appointment of a joint committee, to communicate with the legislature of Pennsylvania, on the encouragement held out by certain citizens of Pennsylvania, to slaves running away from this state, submitted the following message; which was read, assented to, and sent to the house of delegates.

BY THE SENATE, January 16, 1823.

*Gentlemen of the House of Delegates.*—The senate accede to the proposal contained in your message of the 3d instant, to appoint a joint committee to communicate with the legislature of Pennsylvania, concerning the growing evils occasioned the citizens of our state by the encouragement runaway slaves receive from some of the citizens of Pennsylvania, provided it is understood by your house that such communication is to be in writing.

If such be your meaning, the senate name on their part Messrs. Johnson and Miller to join the gentlemen elected by you.

By order,

WM. KILTY, Clk.

Mr. Johnson presented the petition of Mary Chapman, concerning the settlement of her accounts as administratrix of her husband; which was read and referred to Messrs. Johnson, Wootton and Kent.

Mr. Johnson from the said committee, reported a bill, entitled, An act for the benefit of Mary Chapman, administratrix of Henry H. Chapman; which was read the first time and laid on the table.

On motion by Mr. Claude, Ordered, That the chief clerk of the senate be and he is hereby required to procure, for the use of the senate, the register of St. James's Parish, in Anne-Arundel county.

The senate resumed the consideration of the bill, entitled, An act to alter and amend the constitution of this state, so that the governor may be elected by the people, being the order of the day, the motion before the senate being to strike out the second section of the bill, and after some time spent in debate, the question was put, Will the senate strike out the 2d. section of the bill? The yeas and nays being required as follow:

AFFIRMATIVE.—Mr. Price—1.

NEGATIVE.—Messrs. Stuart, Prest. Brownley, Claude, Cockey, Dickinson, Johnson, Kent, Miller, Orrel, Quinton, Wootton—11. Determined in the negative.

Mr. Miller moved to commit the bill to the committee who reported it; and the question was put, and determined in the affirmative.

The president appointed Mr. Wootton as one of the said committee, in the place of Mr. M'Kim, resigned.

Mr. Quinton moved to enlarge the committee to five, and Messrs. Johnson and Quinton were added to it.

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

FRIDAY, January 17 1823.

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

The bill for the benefit of Mary Chapman, administratrix of Henry H. Chapman, was read a second time by special order, and on motion the question was put, Will the senate receive the following as an amendment, viz. Add the following at the end of the bill;