

amendment was read, and assented to, and the bill being read a third time, as amended, will pass with the proposed amendment. Amendment proposed. Strike out all the first section except the enacting clause, and insert instead thereof the following: "That the said Samuel, Lucy, Ann, Polly and Elizabeth, are hereby permitted to reside in the state of Maryland upon the usual terms heretofore allowed to free negroes by the laws of this state, and to have, hold, occupy, possess and enjoy, to them, their heirs, executors, administrators or assigns, any property which they may have become entitled to, by the grant, gift, devise or bequest, of any person or persons whatsoever." Returned to the house of delegates.

The resolutions relative to the appointment of chancellor Johnson to devise a system of equity for the use of this state, were read a second time and laid on the table.

On motion by Mr. Johnson, the question was put, will the senate reconsider the bill, entitled, An act for the relief of James B. M'Kawn, of the city of Baltimore? Determined in the affirmative.

The said bill was then read, and the question was put, shall the bill pass? Determined in the negative, and it was returned to the house of delegates.

On motion by Mr. Johnson, the question was put, will the senate reconsider the bill for the benefit of George Noble of the city of Baltimore? Determined in the affirmative. The bill was then read, amended, and will pass with the proposed amendments, and was returned to the house of delegates. Amendments proposed. 1st. In the title of the bill after the word "Noble" insert "and James B. M'Kawn." 2d. After the word "Noble" in the second line insert "and James B. M'Kawn." 3d. After the word "and" in the same line strike out all that follows and insert "they are hereby respectively exempted from the provision of the insolvent laws of this state, which requires a residence in this state of two years; *Provided however*, That neither the said Noble or M'Kawn shall receive the benefit of said insolvent laws, unless they comply with all the other terms and conditions of said laws, and that they also severally satisfy the court, or commissioners, to whom they may apply, that they did not come into this state for the purpose of applying for the benefit of said laws. 4th. In the endorsement of the bill after the word "Noble" insert "and James M'Kawn."

The clerk of the house of delegates delivered a resolution relative to arms; a bill, entitled, A further supplement to an act, entitled, An act for the more effectual collection of the county charges in Allegany county; a bill, entitled, An act to alter and change a road in the village of Denton in Caroline county; a bill, entitled, An act authorising the establishment of a ferry over the Potomac river, from the lands of George Lafever in Washington county, opposite to the place called the Falling Water in Virginia; a bill, entitled, A further supplement to an act, entitled, An act to incorporate a company to make a turnpike road to lead from the cross roads near Richard Caton's lime kiln, in Baltimore county, nearly in the direction of Jones' Falls, to the city of Baltimore; a bill, entitled, A supplement to the act, entitled, An act to provide for building a bridge over Antietam creek in Washington county; a supplementary act to the act, entitled, An act to incorporate the managers of Back Creek School; a bill, entitled, An act for the relief of John A. Batchelder, of Caroline county; which were severally read the first time and laid on the table.

Also a bill, entitled, An act for the benefit of Buckler Bond, and others, of Harford county; which was read the first time and referred to Messrs. Brownley, Miller and Cockey.

Also a bill, entitled, An act to regulate the allowance to tenants by the curtesy in sales of real estate under the authority of the chancellor, or county courts; which was read the first time and referred to Messrs. Johnson, Price and Miller.

Mr. Claude from the committee to whom was referred the amendments offered by the house of delegates to the bill, entitled, An act to ascertain and establish a divisional line between Anne Arundel and Calvert counties, reported the same without amendment. The amendments were then read a second time. On motion by Mr. Johnson, the question was put, will the senate amend the amendments, by striking out the words "so help me God," in the 1st and 3d provision of the 5th amendment? Determined in the affirmative. The amendments were then read a third time by special order, and the question was put, will the senate assent to the amendments? The yeas and nays being required appeared as follow:

AFFIRMATIVE.—Messrs. Stuart, priest, Brownley, Cockey, Dickinson, Johnson, Kent, Orrell, Price, Quinton, Wootton—10.

NEGATIVE.—Messrs. Claude and Miller—2. Determined in the affirmative.

Mr. Johnson from the committee delivered the following report:

The committee to whom was referred the bill, entitled, An act for the relief of Eve Catharine Zur Buchan, a lunatic, of Baltimore county, have considered the same, and think it ought not to pass. The object of the bill is to give authority to the trustee of the lunatic to sell her real estate. By the act of 1800, chapter 67, the chancellor has power to order the sale of lunatics' estates by the trustee, in cases where he may think the interest of the lunatic requires it. The county courts are now vested with the same power. In the case before the committee, therefore, the court by whom her trustee has been appointed, may, if they think it advisable, order a sale of her estate. By order, T. W. LOOCKERMAN, Com. Clk.

Which report was read and concurred in.

The bill for the relief of Eve Catharine Zur Buchan, a lunatic, of Baltimore county, was then read a second, and by special order a third time, and will not pass.

The senate adjourned until Monday morning 10 o'clock.

MONDAY, January 20, 1823.

The senate met. Present the same members as on Saturday, except Mr. Wootton. The Proceedings of Saturday were read.