

"And be it enacted, that before this act shall go into operation, the same shall be laid before a general meeting of the stockholders of the said Falls Turnpike, convened for that purpose, upon such notice as the original act requires in case where the said president, managers and company, or said turnpike road, may call a general meeting, and by a majority of said stockholders be assented to and accepted, and such assent recorded among the other proceedings of said company, and unless this assent be given within one year from the passage of this act, this act shall be null and void." Determined in the affirmative.

The question was then put, shall the bill pass? Determined in the affirmative, and it was sent to the house of delegates.

Mr. Johnson delivered the following report:

The committee to whom was referred the bill, entitled, An act to permit John Piet of the city of Baltimore, to bring certain negroes from Virginia into this state, beg leave to report, that they have considered the same, and think it ought not to pass, as the relief it provides may be obtained under existing laws. By order, T. W. LOOCKERMAN, Com. Clk.

Which report was read and concurred in.

The said bill was then read a third time, rejected, and returned to the house of delegates.

The bill, entitled, A supplement to the act relating to certain land certificates, was read a third time, passed and returned to the house of delegates.

The clerk of the house of delegates delivered a Bill entitled, A further and additional supplement to the act concerning crimes and punishments; which was read the first time and referred to Messrs. Johnson, Claude and Dickinson.

Mr. Cockey from the committee to whom was referred the supplement to the act incorporating into one the several acts relating to constables fees, reported, that the committee had had the same under consideration, and were of opinion that it ought to pass with the following amendment, viz.

At the end of the bill insert "provided, that nothing in this act shall be so construed as to exempt any criminals from paying the cost of their arrest, if they shall be of sufficient ability to pay said cost themselves."

Which amendment was read and assented to.

The bill was then read a second, and by special order a third time, and will pass.

Mr. Johnson delivered the following report:

The committee to whom was referred the bill, entitled, A further and additional supplement to an act, entitled, An act concerning crimes and punishments, report, that that they are of opinion that it ought to pass with certain amendments which have been prepared by the committee, and are herewith submitted. By order, T. W. LOOCKERMAN, C. Clk.

Which report was read and concurred in.

The said bill was then read a second, and by special order a third time, amended, and will pass with the proposed amendments.

Amendments proposed—1st. Strike out the preamble. 2nd. After the word "one" at the end of the 4th line of the 1st section insert "chapter 195." 3rd. In the 3rd line of the 2nd section strike out the words "made by them." 4th. At the end of the first line second page strike out the word "that" and insert "is or are."

The resolution in favour of Thomas Armstrong, of the city of Baltimore, was read a third time and assented to.

The bill for the relief of John W. Berry, of the city of Baltimore, was read a third time and will pass.

Mr. Bowie from the committee to whom was referred the supplement to the act to authorise the abutment of a bridge on the Maryland shore of the Potomac river at Harper's Ferry, and for other purposes, reported, that the committee had had the same under consideration, and were of opinion that it ought to pass. Which report was concurred in.

The bill was then read a second, and by special order a third time, amended, and passed.

On motion by Mr. Claude, the senate dispensed with the order of the senate prohibiting the introduction of any new business into the senate after the 5th inst.

On motion by Mr. Claude, leave was given to bring in a bill to be entitled, An act for the benefit of John Norris, of Anne-Arundel county; and it was Ordered, that Messrs. Claude, Bowie and Quinton, should be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

Mr. Claude from the committee reported the said bill, and it was read the first time and laid on the table.

The bill to revive and keep in force the act of assembly therein mentioned, and the several supplements thereto, and for other purposes, was read a second, and by special order a third time, amended and will pass.

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

TUESDAY, February 11th, 1823.

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

The resolution in favor of Thomas Armstrong, of the city of Baltimore; the supplement to the act to authorise the abutment of a bridge on the Maryland shore of the Potomac river, at Harper's Ferry, and for other purposes; the further and additional supplement to the act concerning crimes and punishments; the bill for the relief of John W. Berry, of the city of Baltimore; the bill to revive and keep in force the act of assembly therein mentioned, and the several supplements thereto, and for other purposes; the supplement to the act incorporating into one the several acts relating to constables' fees, were sent to the house of delegates.