

The clerk of the house of delegates delivered a resolution relative to the administration of justice, and a resolution in favour of St. Peter's Free School; which were read the first time and laid on the table.

Also the following message; which was read.

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, February 20, 1823.

*Gentlemen of the Senate*—We return you the bill, entitled, An act for the relief of Charity F. Barrier, which was rejected by your honourable body, and respectfully ask a reconsideration of the same.

By order,

J. BREWER, Clk.

Also the following message; which was read.

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, February 20, 1823.

*Gentlemen of the Senate*—We have reconsidered the amendments proposed by your honourable body to the bill, entitled, A further supplement to an act, entitled, An act for the more effectual collection of the county charges in Allegany county, and propose an amendment to your amendment, by striking out the word "eight" in the tenth line of the first section, and inserting the word "five," and respectfully ask your honourable body to reconsider and pass the same as amended.

By order,

J. BREWER, Clk.

A bill, entitled, A supplement to the act, entitled, An act for the more effectual preventing of forgery, and to make it felony to steal bonds, notes, or other securities for the payment of money; which was read the first time and referred to Messrs. Johnson, Miller and Cockey.

A bill for the relief of Thomas N. Burdett, of Montgomery county; a bill for the relief of Nathaniel Boggs, and a bill, entitled, An additional supplement to an act relating to the administration of justice in this state, passed at December session 1801, chapter 74; which were severally read the first time and laid on the table.

And returns the further supplement to an act, entitled, An act for the more effectual collection of the county charges in Allegany county; and the bill for the relief of Charity F. Barriere, of the city of Baltimore, which were laid on the table.

Also the bill to authorise the establishment of an additional warehouse in the city of Baltimore for the inspection of tobacco, endorsed "will pass;" and it was ordered to be engrossed.

And delivered the engrossed bills from No. 111 to No. 155, inclusive; which were read, assented to, and sent to the house of delegates.

Mr. Claude from the committee to whom was referred the supplement to the act, entitled, an additional supplement to the act entitled An act to regulate public ferries, reported, that the committee had had the same under consideration, and were of opinion that it ought to pass with the following amendments, viz.

At the end of the first section insert the following proviso: "provided, nothing in this section contained shall be construed to authorise the said levy court to refuse or neglect to contract for keeping at the county expense, the ferry on Severn, or the ferry across South River, known by the name of the Lower Ferry."

Insert as an additional section the following:

"Sec. 2. And be it enacted, that the aforesaid justices of the levy court be and they are hereby authorised and directed, to contract with the president and directors of the South River bridge company, for the use of the said bridge to the inhabitants of Anne-Arundel county, at the county expense; provided said levy court can obtain said privilege for a sum of money not exceeding that which has heretofore been paid by the county for keeping the ferry at the place where the said bridge now stands." Which amendments were read, and assented to.

The bill was then read, passed with the proposed amendments, and returned to the house of delegates,

Mr. Claude submitted the following message; which was read, assented too, and sent to the house of delegates.

BY THE SENATE, February 20, 1823.

*Gentlemen of the House of Delegates*—In accordance with the request in your message of the 18th instant, we have reconsidered the bill entitled, "A supplement to the act, entitled, An act to regulate public ferries" and have consented to pass the same with the accompanying amendments.

By order,

WM. KILTY, Clk.

Mr. Claude submitted the following report and resolution:

The committee appointed to confer on the best mode to be adopted for printing the laws and votes and proceedings of the present session of the legislature, recommended the adoption of the following resolution.

Resolved, That the executive be and they are hereby authorised to contract for the printing of the laws and proceedings of the present session, in the same manner they have heretofore been printed, & that they require of the person with whom they may contract, the same obligations for the faithful performance of the duties which have usually been required of the printer to the state, and the sum to be allowed shall not exceed fourteen hundred dollars.

Which was read and laid on the table.

On motion, the amendments made by the house of delegates to the amendments heretofore adopted by the senate, to the further supplement to an act for the more effectual collection of the county charges in Allegany county, were read the first, and by special order a second and third time, assented to, and returned, with the bill, to the house of delegates.

Mr. Johnson from the committee to whom was referred the supplement to the act for the more effectual preventing of forgery, and to make it felony to steal bonds, notes, or other securities for the payment of money, reported, that the committee had had the same under consideration, and were of opinion it ought to pass. Which report was concurred in.

The said bill was then read a second and third time by special order, passed, and returned to the house of delegates.