

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

The bill for the relief of negro Priss of Harford county, was read a second and third time by special order, passed, and returned to the house of delegates.

The bill for the relief of Rachel Donaldson of Montgomery county, was read a second and a third time by special order, passed, and returned to the house of delegates.

The clerk of the house of delegates delivered a resolution in favour of Benjamin G. Jones; which was read the first, second and third time, assented to, and returned to the house of delegates.

Also a resolution relative to the state agent; which was twice read and laid on the table.

Also a bill, entitled, An act to provide for the speedy collection of the public revenue; which was read and referred to Messrs. Johnson, Claude and Miller.

And returns the bill for the benefit of the register of the court of chancery, endorsed, "will pass" and it was ordered to be engrossed. On motion, the bill laying duties on pleasure carriages, was referred to Messrs. Johnson, Claude and Miller.

The bill relating to the heirs of Doctor John Trotten, of Baltimore county, was read a second and third time by special order, passed, and returned to the house of delegates.

The clerk of the house of delegates returned the resolution relative to certain records, with the following message; which was read.

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, February 22, 1823.

*Gentlemen of the Senate*—We respectfully request a reconsideration of the resolution authorising the removal of the papers of the prerogative office to Anne-Arundel county court house, inasmuch as some of the records of the land office absolutely require to be provided with a situation that will preserve them from injury, to which they are now subject

By order,

J. BREWER, Ck.

On motion, the question was put, will the senate reconsider the said resolution?

Determined in the affirmative. The resolution was then read.

On motion, the question was put, will the senate amend the resolution by adding the following: "and provided the expense of said removal shall not exceed the sum of one hundred dollars."

Mr. Claude moved to amend the proposed amendment, by striking out the word 'one' and insert 'two,' and the question was put and determined in the negative.

The question was then put, will the senate amend the resolution as proposed?

Determined in the affirmative.

The question was then put, will the senate assent to the resolution as amended?

Determined in the affirmative, and it was returned to the house of delegates.

The supplement to the act for the relief of the poor of St. Mary's county, was read a second and third time by special order, passed, and returned to the house of delegates.

The bill relating to the receiving and paying over to the levy court of Baltimore county the public funds therein mentioned, was read a second and third time by special order, passed, and returned to the house of delegates.

The senate adjourned until 4 o'clock, P. M.

FOUR O'CLOCK, P. M.

The senate met. Present the same members as in the morning.

The president laid before the senate a communication from the president of the Washington and Baltimore turnpike road company; which was read and referred to the consideration of the house of delegates.

The bill, entitled, An additional supplement to the act to erect a town in Queen Ann's county, was read a second and third time by special order, rejected, and returned to the house of delegates.

Mr. Johnson submitted the following message:

BY THE SENATE, February 22, 1823.

*Gentlemen of the House of Delegates*—The senate have rejected the bill entitled, An additional supplement to the act entitled, An act to erect a town in Queen Ann's county, because there is no evidence before the senate that the people of Centreville, the town to which the bill refers, desire such a change of their charter as this bill provides. However willing the senate might be to alter the present charter of this town in the manner pointed out by this bill, they think it would be improper to do so without their knowing the sentiments of the people of Centreville in relation to it. The principal object of the contemplated change, is to do away the property qualification now required of the voters for the officers of the corporation. The senate would respectfully remark, that if the reason for this change be valid, it would equally demand the doing away of the property qualification required of the officers of the town.

By order,

WM. KILTY, Ck.

Which was read, and the question was put, will the senate assent to the message? Determined in the negative.

Mr. Johnson submitted the following report:

The committee to whom was referred the several resolutions in favor of the soldiers and officers of the revolution, beg leave to report—That they have given each of them an attentive consideration, and will deliver on each a separate report. In their reflections on this subject, they have been governed, without exception, by the principles contained in the report of a committee of the senate, on the same subject, made and adopted at the last session, as your committee could find no good reason for deviating from that report. The pension list has already swelled to an amount, never, it is thought, anticipated at the time the pension system was introduced. Your committee cannot help thinking, that there are at present on this list, many