

schools in the several counties therein mentioned, was read the second time and laid on the table.

The bill for the relief of Michael Riddelmoser, of the city of Baltimore. was read a second time and laid on the table.

The clerk of the house of delegates delivered a bill entitled, an act relating to the appointment of constables in Harford county; a bill entitled, an act to authorise the levy court of Somerset county to provide an office for the clerk of said county; a bill entitled, an act to settle and ascertain the salary of the members of the council for the ensuing year; which were read the first time and laid on the table. Also a bill entitled, an act to confirm the proceedings of certain commissioners therein mentioned; which was read the first time and laid on the table. Also a bill entitled, an additional supplement to the act entitled, an act authorising Henry Vernon Somerville to remove certain negroes into the state of Maryland; which was read, and referred to Messrs Quinton, Kent and Bowie. Also a bill entitled, an act to confirm and make valid certain acts and proceeding of William F. Gleaves, as a justice of the peace for Kent county; which was read and referred to Messrs Quinton, Kent and Miller. Also a bill entitled, an act for the relief of Jacob Taylor; which was read the first time and referred to Messrs Johnson, Miller Claude, Orrell and Quinton. Also a resolution relative to printing the journal; which was read the first and by special order a second and third time, assented to, and returned to the house of delegates. Also a bill entitled, an act to repeal an act entitled, an act to repeal an act entitled, a supplement to an act entitled, an act for the better protection of slave holders in the several counties therein mentioned, so far as the same relates to Dorchester county; which was read the first time and laid on the table.

The bill for the relief of Jacob Taylor, was read a second and third time by special order, amended, passed and returned to the house of delegates.

Mr. Winder from the committee reported a bill entitled, a supplement to an act entitled, an act against excessive usury; which was read the first time and laid on the table.

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

FRIDAY, December 12, 1823.

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

The bill to alter the time of the meeting of the general assembly of this state, and for other purposes; was read a second time, and ordered to be passed to a third reading.

The bill for the benefit of Benjamin M'Creery, and John Watkins, of Harford county; was read a second, and by special order a third time; passed, and returned to the house of delegates.

The bill for the relief of Elizabeth Harding, of the city of Baltimore, was read a second time, and laid on the table.

The bill to appoint trustees for the Little Falls Meeting House, and Forrest Meeting House, in Harford county, was read a second, and by special order a third time, passed, and returned to the house of delegates.

On motion, the bill relating to the appointment of constables in Harford county, was referred Messrs. Brownley, Winder and Miller, to consider and report thereon.

The clerk of the house of delegates delivered a bill, entitled, an act for the destruction of Panthers, in Allegany county; which was read the first time and laid on the table. Also, a bill entitled, an act to repeal the laws now in force for the destruction of Crows, in Caroline county, which was read the first time and laid on the table. Also, a bill, entitled, an act for the relief of Catharine Fridley, of Washington county; which was read the first time and laid on the table.

Mr. Miller from the committee to whom was referred the bill for the better payment of the jurors and justices of the levy court of Cecil county, reported that the committee had had the same under consideration, and were of opinion, that it ought to pass with the following amendments, viz:

1st. In the fourth line strike out, "five," and insert "eight." 2d. In the seventh line same section, after the word "mile," insert "more than eight miles." 3d. In the ninth line same section strike out the words, "all justices," and insert "each and every justice." 4th. In the tenth line same section, after the word "than," strike out the word "five," and insert "eight." 5th. In the thirteenth line same section, after the word "mile," insert the words "more than eight miles." 6th. In the 19th line same section after the word "once," insert "a week." 7th. In the twentieth line same section strike out the word "coming," and insert "going." 8th. In the twenty-first line same section after the word "once," insert "a week;" which amendments were read and assented to. The bill was then read as amended a second, and by special order a third time, passed, and returned to the house of delegates.

The clerk of the council delivered the following communication.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, ANNAPOLIS, December 12, 1823.

Gentlemen—I have the honor to transmit the enclosed preamble and resolutions, lately adopted by the legislature of the state of Tennessee, to the General Assembly; which were received from Governor Carroll, by the last mail. I am, with great respect, your obedient servant,
SAMUEL STEVENS.

To the honorable the President of the Senate, and the honorable the Speaker of the House of Delegates. Which was read.

Mr. Winder submitted the following message: which was read, assented to, and sent to the house of delegates.