

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

sent to the same." The yeas and nays being required, appeared as follow:

AFFIRMATIVE.—Messrs. Cockey, Chambers, Johnson, Orrell, Winder, Brownley, Claude.—7.

NEGATIVE.—Messrs. Steuart, President, Bowie, Kent, Quinton, Dickinson—5.

Determined in the affirmative, and the bill being read a third time was passed, and returned to the house of delegates.

Mr. Chambers from the committee to whom was referred the supplement to the act to prohibit the emigration of free negroes into this state, reported that the committee had had the same under consideration, and were of opinion that it ought to pass. The bill was then read a second, and by special order a third time, passed with the proposed amendment, and returned to the house of delegates. Amendment proposed: Strike out "Caroline County" throughout the bill.

The bill relating to the treasurers of the state on the eastern and western shore, the clerks of the courts of appeals, the clerks of the several county courts, the register in chancery, and the registers of wills in the several counties of this state, was read a third time, passed and sent to the house of delegates. The bill to authorise the banks of this state to invest a part of their capital in the public stocks of the United States, was read a third time. On motion the question was put, will the senate receive the following as an amendment: "Provided that the said banks shall report annually to the treasurer of the western shore, the amount of United States stock purchased, and then held by said banks; and provided also, that if the said banks shall at any time refuse or neglect to comply with the provisions of this act, the authority herein before granted to them shall cease, determine, and forever thereafter be void, and of no effect." Determined in the affirmative. The question was then put, shall the bill as amended pass; determined in the affirmative, and it was sent to the house of delegates.

The bill to reduce the price of the state's land, in Allegany county, was read a third time, passed, and returned to the house of delegates.

The clerk of the council delivered the following communication:

IN COUNCIL, Annapolis, Feb. 21, 1824.

Gentlemen,—We transmit to the legislature a letter lately received from Theodorick Bland and George Winchester, Esquires, two of the Susquehanna and Baltimore commissioners, by which you will see that they decline receiving any compensation for their services, other than their personal expences—One account shewing the manner in which the \$6,300 that were advanced to pay incidental expences of the commission, has been likewise received at this department, but cannot be liquidated until an authority is delegated by the passage of a resolution authorising the Executive to do so, there being no provision made for the same by the resolution which authorised and directed their appointment.

We have the honor to be, with great respect, your obedient servants,

SAMUEL STEVENS, Jr.

The hon. the president of the senate, the hon. the speaker of the house of delegates. Which with the letter referred to were read and referred to the consideration of the house of delegates.

The senate proceeded to the consideration of the bill to establish state warehouses for the inspection of tobacco, in the city of Baltimore; the same being the order of the day, and the question was put, "will the senate assent to the amendments proposed by the committee?" Determined in the affirmative. On motion the question was put, "will the senate receive the following as an amendment:" In the 5th line of the 5th section, strike out the words "within." Determined in the affirmative.

On motion the question was put "will the senate receive the following as an amendment. In the 3d line of the 7th section strike out the word "quarterly" and insert "monthly?" Determined in the affirmative. On motion the question was put will the senate strike out the word "quarter," and insert "month," in the 6th line, 7th section. Determined in the affirmative.

On motion the question was put, "will the senate receive the following as an amendment:" In the 7th line 10th section, strike out the word "quarterly," and insert monthly. On motion the question was put, "will the senate receive the following as an amendment:" In the 6th line 3d section, strike out the words "fifteen hundred dollars" and insert "thirteen hundred dollars?" Determined in the negative.

On motion the question was put will the senate receive the following as an amendment, after the words "levy court of Baltimore county" in the 3d line of the 12th section, insert "within the city of Baltimore?" Determined in the negative. On motion the question was put, will the senate strike out the 12th section; being as follows, "And be it enacted, that any tobacco not the growth of Baltimore county, which shall be inspected or stored in a warehouse provided by the levy court of Baltimore county, shall be forfeited to the state of Maryland?" Determined in the affirmative. On motion the question was put, will the senate receive the following as an amendment: Add as an additional section "And be it enacted, that if the nett proceeds paid in the treasury in virtue of this law, after deducting all expenses which may be incurred in the execution thereof shall not amount to a sum sufficient to pay the salary hereinbefore directed to be paid to the inspectors that the said nett proceeds only shall be paid and distributed equally to and amongst the said inspectors?" Determined in the affirmative.

The senate adjourned until 5 o'clock P. M.

5 O'CLOCK, P. M.

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

The clerk of the house of delegates delivered a bill, entitled, an act relating to the auditor