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The bill to enlarge the bounds of Centreville, and for other purposes, was twice read, passed and returned to the house of delegates.

The resolution relative to the plat of lands in Allegany county, was read a third time, amended, passed with the proposed amendment, and returned to the house of delegates.

Amendments proposed.—Strike out the whole of the resolution after the word "Resolved," and insert "that the governor and council be, and they are hereby authorised and required to contract with some competent person for a sum not exceeding fifty dollars, to make two copies of the plat of the public lands westward of Fort Cumberland, one of them to be deposited in the clerks office of Allegany county for the inspection of all persons wishing to see the same—and the other in the land office for the western shore, and that the treasurer be, and he is hereby authorised and required to pay to such person as the governor and council may contract with on the order of the governor, any sum not exceeding the sum aforesaid."

The bill to make public a road leading from Coalsville, in Montgomery county, to intersect the public road leading from Vansville, in Prince George's county, at or near the Paint Chapel in said county, was read a third time, passed and returned to the house of delegates.

The further supplement to the act to establish a bank and incorporate the subscribers thereto, was read and referred to the first day of June next.

The bill to repair the highways and bridges in certain parts of the city of Baltimore, was read a second and by special order a third time, passed and returned to the house of delegates. The bill to prevent the opening of the old road therein mentioned, in Anne Arundel county, was twice read, passed and returned to the house of delegates.

Mr. Claude from the committee to whom was referred the bill for the relief of James W. Reeves, of Charles county, reported, that the committee had had the same under consideration, and were of opinion that it ought not to pass. The bill was then twice read, rejected, and returned to the house of delegates.

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

BY THE SENATE, Feb. 24, 1824.

*Gentlemen of the House of Delegates*—We herewith transmit to you the report of the chief clerk of the senate, made in pursuance of an order of the senate at the last session, requiring of him "to arrange all the files and records of the senate in such manner as will be best calculated to preserve them, &c." The senate have only to state, that in executing the above order, their chief clerk has given entire satisfaction; they therefore hope that you will take the subject into your consideration, and allow such compensation as the nature of the work may entitle him to.

The bill for the benefit of Jonathan Neale Laughlin and his heirs, was twice read, rejected, and returned to the house of delegates.

Mr. Johnson from the committee on pensions and revolutionary claims, reported favorably on the resolution in favor of William Gudgeon, of Kent county, and the same was twice read, assented to, and returned to the house of delegates. Mr. Johnson, from the same committee, reported unfavorably on the resolution in favor of James Ruark, of Anne Arundel county; the resolution in favor of William Simmons, of Harford county; the resolution in favor of Ezekiel Thomson, of Worcester county; and the same were severally read, rejected, and returned to the house of delegates. Mr. Johnson, from the same committee, reported favorably on the resolution in favor of James Fling, of Montgomery county; the preamble and resolution relative to pensioners of the state of Maryland; and the same were severally read, assented to, and returned to the house of delegates. Mr. Johnson, from the same committee, made an unfavorable report on the resolution in favor of James M'Collister, of Dorchester county, and the same was twice read, dissented from, and returned to the house of delegates. Mr. Johnson, from the same committee, reported favorably on the resolution in favor of Susanna Brewer, of the city of Annapolis; the resolution was then twice read, assented to, and returned to the house of delegates.

Mr. Johnson, from the committee to whom was referred the supplement to the act for the benefit of the trustees of Garrison Forrest academy and the Franklin academy, in Baltimore county, reported that the committee had had the same under consideration, and not being able to agree on the subject, beg leave to submit the same to the consideration of the senate. The bill was then twice read, passed, and returned to the house of delegates.

The bill relating to the manumission of slaves in this state, was read a third time, passed, & returned to the house of delegates. The senate adjourned until to-morrow morning 9 o'clock.

WEDNESDAY, Feb. 25, 1824.

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

The supplement to the act to reduce into one the several acts of assembly, respecting elections, and to regulate said elections, was read a third time, rejected, and returned to the house of delegates. The amendments proposed by the house of delegates to the bill relating to the treasurers of the state on the eastern and western shore, the clerks of the court 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; were twice read, assented to and with the bill ordered to be engrossed. The further supplement to the act to regulate and discipline the militia of this state was read a second and third time, amended, passed, and returned to the house of delegates.

Mr. Bowie asked and obtained leave to bring in a bill, to be entitled a supplement to the act intitled, an act to establish state warehouses for the inspection of tobacco in the city of Balti-