

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

in law to hold the same." Which amendments were read and assented to. The bill was then read as amended, a second time, and laid on the table.

Mr. Scott from the committee reported a bill, entitled, An act regulating writs of error, and granting appeals to the court of appeals; which was read the first time and laid on the table.

The clerk of the house of delegates delivered a bill, entitled, An act to authorise two justices of the peace to judge and approve of the securities in cases therein mentioned.

The senate adjourned until Monday morning 10 o'clock.

MONDAY, January 17, 1825.

The senate met. Present the same members as on Saturday.

On motion, the reading of the proceedings of Saturday was dispensed with.

On motion, the bill to incorporate the United Beneficial Society in Baltimore, was referred to Messrs. Tilghman, Thomas and Miller.

The clerk of the house of delegates delivered the following message; which was read.

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, January 15, 1825.

Gentlemen of the Senate,

We have received your message relative to the subject of the contract entered into by this house for the printing. We had thought the right of the senate to participate in contracts of this nature, had been fully recognized in our message of the 2nd ultimo. As it seems, however, that your honourable body does not give that construction to the message, we beg leave now, in that spirit of comity and feeling of respect, which should ever subsist between the two branches, and in order to put to rest this unfortunate misunderstanding, to state that we have ever held a right in your honourable body to participate in like contracts.

By order, JOHN BREWER, Clk.

Also a bill, entitled, A supplement to an act, entitled, An act to incorporate the trustees of the Westminster General Meeting House in Frederick county; which was read the first time and laid on the table.

A bill, entitled, An act to authorise the levy court of Baltimore county, to assess and levy on the assessable property of said county, a sum of money to build a bridge over the Great Falls of Gunpowder, on the road leading from the town of Manchester in said county by John Shauck's Mill, to Pennsylvania; which was read the first time, and referred to Messrs. Scott, Tilghman and Cockey. A bill, entitled, An act for the revaluation of the assessable property in Prince-George's county; which was read the first time and referred to Messrs. Thomas, Bowie and Dickinson. And a bill, entitled, An act supplementary to the act, entitled, An act 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 clerk of the city court of Baltimore, the register in chancery, and the registers of wills in the several counties in this state; which was read the first time and referred to Messrs. Miller, Orrell and Tilghman. And returned the bill, entitled, An act to enable Simon Frazier, of Prince George's county, to purchase and hold real property within this state. And the bill, entitled, An act for the relief of John Ritchie, of Prince-George's county, severally endorsed, "will pass," and they were ordered to be engrossed.

The clerk of the house of delegates delivered a bill, entitled, A supplement to the act, entitled, An act to incorporate the Bellona Gunpowder Company of Maryland; which was read the first time and referred to Messrs. Scott, Tilghman and Thomas.

And a bill, entitled, An act to lay a tax on billiard tables; which was read the first time and referred to Messrs. Thomas, Tilghman and Cockey.

The clerk of the council delivered the following communication from the executive; which, together with the accompanying documents, were read and referred to the consideration of the house of delegates.

IN COUNCIL, Annapolis, Jan. 17th, 1825.

The honourable the president of the senate, and the honourable the speaker of the house of delegates, Gentlemen—In compliance with the resolution passed at the last session of the general assembly, authorising and requiring the governor and council "to ascertain whether a lot of ground can be purchased for the state, in the city of Baltimore, near the water, sufficiently large for the erection of a tobacco inspection house, the price of said lot, and the cost of building a fire proof warehouse on said lot, to hold eight thousand hogsheads, and report the result to the legislature at their next session," we herewith transmit you sundry letters addressed to this department, which affords the desired information.

We have the honour to remain, with the greatest respect, your ob't. serv't

SAMUEL STEVENS.

Mr. Tilghman from the committee to whom was referred the bill, entitled, A supplement to the act, entitled, An act to incorporate the Bellona Gunpowder Company of Maryland, reported, that the committee had had the same under consideration, and were of opinion that it ought to pass with the following amendment: "And be it enacted, That if this act shall be previously accepted by the said company, and the acceptance thereof entered on the journals or minutes of proceedings, then the same shall commence and be in force from the day of acceptance as aforesaid." Which was read and assented to. The bill, as amended, was then read a second and third time by special order, passed, and returned to the house of delegates.

The clerk of the house of delegates delivered a bill, entitled, An act to repeal an act passed at December session, 1823, chapter 15, relating to the protection of slaveholders in Dorchester county; which was read the first time and laid on the table.

And returned the bill, entitled, An act to confirm an act passed at December session 1823, entitled, An act to alter the time of the meeting of the general assembly of this state, and for other purposes; endorsed "will pass." And it was ordered to be engrossed.

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

TUESDAY, January 18, 1825

The senate met. Present the same members as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read. Mr. Cockey from the committee to whom was referred the bill for the relief of Beal C. Stinchcomb, of