

Negative—Messrs. Bowie, Miller—2.

Determined in the affirmative.

The clerk of the house of delegates delivered a bill, entitled, An act to enlarge the powers of the trustees of the poor in the several counties in this state; which was read the first time and referred to Messrs. Bowie, Kent and Quinton. Also a bill, entitled, An act for the relief of John Middleton, of Prince-George's county; which was read the first time and referred to Messrs. Scott, Brownley, Claude, Orrell and Quinton. Also the following message; which was read.

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, February 8, 1825.

Gentlemen of the Senate,

We return you the bill, entitled, A supplement to an act, entitled, "An act to lay out and make public two roads therein mentioned in Cecil county," passed at December session 1821, chapter 127. The house have rejected the amendment proposed by your honourable body, as we are of opinion the amendment would entirely defeat the object of the bill, and we can see no possible objection to grant to the parties in this case the right of appeal, which is given to all others by the act relating to public roads in the several counties therein mentioned, passed at December session 1821, chapter 152. We therefore hope, upon further consideration, you will pass the bill without the amendment, and thus grant to the parties complaining, that justice which they have been so improperly deprived of by the special act of 1821, chapter 127.

By order, J BREWER, Clk.

And returned the supplement to an act to lay out and make public two roads therein mentioned in Cecil county, passed on the 25th of January, 1822, endorsed "amendments read and dissented from"

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

In Council, Feb 8, 1825.

The Honourable the President of the Senate and the Honourable the Speaker of the House of Delegates.

Gentlemen—We have the honour to transmit herewith a communication from the governor of the state of New Jersey, accompanied by sundry resolutions of the legislature of that state, in relation to a system providing for the gradual emancipation of the people of colour held in servitude in the United States. With the highest respect we have the honour to remain your obedient servants.

SAHUEL STEVENS.

The supplement to the act, entitled, An act to establish the divisional lines between Anne-Arundel and Calvert counties, was read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading. The said bill having been engrossed, was read a third time, passed, and sent to the house of delegates.

The supplement to the act against excessive usury, was read a third time, passed, and sent to the house of delegates.

The bill to alter the 37th article of the constitution and form of government of this state, was read a second time, amended, and the further consideration of the same postponed until Tuesday next the 15th instant.

The further additional supplement to the act concerning crimes and punishments, was read a third time, passed, and sent to the house of delegates.

The bill to change the mode of electing electors of president and vice-president of the United States, was read a second time by special order, and laid on the table.

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

WEDNESDAY, February 9, 1825.

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

The clerk of the house of delegates delivered a resolution to authorise the state's agent to sell a tract of land; which was read the first time and referred to Messrs. Chambers, Bowie, Miller, Thomas and Kent. Also a resolution to authorise the state's agent to secure a tract of land; which was read the first time and referred to Messrs. Chambers, Bowie, Miller, Thomas and Kent. Also a bill, entitled, An act to regulate the inspection of salted fish; which was read the first time and referred to Messrs. Scott, Miller, Brownley, Cockey and Claude.

Mr. Bowie from the committee made an unfavourable report upon the resolution in favour of the securities of Thomas Pollard. The resolution was then read a second, and by special order a third time, dissented from, 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, February 9, 1825.

Gentlemen of the House of Delegates,

The senate have rejected the resolution in favour of the securities of Thomas Pollard, because there is no evidence before them to shew that the sum left in the hands of Roger Perry, at that time attorney for the state, was sufficient to discharge the whole debt due from said Pollard to the state. They have no objection to release the securities of the said Pollard for any sum of money that may appear to have been placed in the hands of the state's attorney, for the payment of this debt, but they can see no reason for an absolute release in this case, which will not apply with equal force to all cases in which securities will be answerable for their principals in debts due to the state. If your honourable body will originate a proposition in conformity with the views expressed in this message, the senate will have no hesitation in acceding to it.

By order, W. KILTY, Clk.

The president laid before the senate the annual report of the trustees of Lower Marlborough Academy; which was read and referred to the consideration of the house of delegates.

Mr. Scott from the committee to whom was referred the bill for the relief of Edward Ellsworth, of the city of New-York, reported, that the committee had had the same under consideration, and were of opinion, that it ought to pass with the following amendment, viz Add as an additional section: "And be it enacted, That the commissioners of insolvent debtors for the city and county of Baltimore, be and they