

cient evidence in any court of this state, as the original would be if produced and proved."

Which amendment was read and assented to. The bill was then read a second, and by special order a third time, passed, and returned to the house of delegates.

The bill for the relief of John Eckstine, of Washington county, was read a second, and by special order a third time, rejected and returned to the house of delegates.

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

Tuesday, February 21st, 1826.

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

Mr. Brownley from the committee to whom was referred the bill entitled, a supplement to an act to incorporate a company to make a turnpike road from the contemplated bridge over the river Susquehanna at Conowingo creek, to the Pennsylvania line, reported that the committee had had the same under consideration, and were of opinion, that it ought to pass with the following amendment, viz—

At the end of the bill, add the following section—

*'And be it enacted,* That the government of the United States, be, and they are hereby authorised and empowered to subscribe for shares of stock in said company upon like terms with other subscribers.'

Which amendment was read and assented to. The bill was then read a second and third times by special order, passed, and returned to the house of delegates.

Mr. Miller from the committee made an unfavorable report upon the bill for the relief of Lambert Beard, of Cecil county. The bill was then read a second, and by special order, a third time, rejected, and returned to the house of delegates.

Mr. Miller from the committee to whom was referred the bill to incorporate the Westminster School, reported, that the committee had had the same under consideration, and were of opinion that it ought to pass with the following amendment, viz:

Strike out the word 'neighborhood' in the sixth line, fifth section, and insert 'county;' which amendment was read and assented to. The bill was then read a second, and by special order, a third time, passed, and returned to the house of delegates.

On motion, the bill to regulate the manner of serving public notice in cases required by law, was referred to Messrs. Johnson, Brownley and Miller.

On motion the committee to whom was recommitted the further additional supplement to an act entitled, an act concerning crimes and punishments, was enlarged by the addition to it of Messrs. Thomas and Dickinson.