

On motion by Mr. Heath, the bill, entitled, a further supplement to the act entitled, an act concerning crimes and punishments was taken up for consideration.

Mr. Heath moved to amend the bill by inserting after the words "thirty days" in the 4th and 5th lines of the bill, the following words, "or any person who shall or may hereafter be committed to jail for non payment of any penalty or forfeiture, by any court of justice, not exceeding one hundred dollars, who shall have remained in custody as aforesaid for the space of sixty days," which amendment was read and assented to.

The said bill having been read a second time and amended, was then ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The resolution directing the Governor and Council to furnish copies of laws to the Moderator and Commissioners of Hagerstown, was read a third time, dissented from, and returned to the House of Delegates.

The resolution relative to furnishing the Mayor, Aldermen, and the boards of Aldermen and Common Council of the city of Frederick and also the Mayor, Recorder and Aldermen of the city of Annapolis, with copies of the Laws, being entitled to a third reading, was on motion, ordered to lie on the table.

The Senate took up for consideration the preamble and resolutions relative to obstructions in the river Susquehanna; the same having been read a second time, were ordered to be engrossed for a third reading; and having been engrossed were then on motion of Mr. Heath, read a third time by special order, assented to and sent to the House of Delegates.

Mr. Forrest offered the following message; which was read, and on motion by Mr. Kennedy, was ordered to lie on the table.

By the Senate,

February 4, 1831,

Gentlemen of the House of Delegates,

We concur with you in the propriety of proceeding this day to the election of a Senator in Congress. The importance of a full representation of this State in the Senate of the United States, is at this juncture, sensibly felt by us; and we desire that the appointment may be made by the electors contemplated by the constitution. To devolve this appointment upon the Executive, is in our opinion unwise, inasmuch, as you thereby remove the election further from the people, the legitimate source of all political power.

The President laid before the Senate a communication from the Treasurer of the Western Shore made in obedience to an order of the Senate, inclosing transcripts of the last returns from the several Banks; which was read and ordered to be printed.

The Clerk of the House of Delegates delivered a bill,