And the uunecessary accumulation of costs in civil suits. question was put and determined in the affirmative.

The said bill having been read the first, and by special or-

der a second time, and amended,

The question was put, Shall the bill as amended be engrossed for a third reading? On this question the yeas and nays being asked for were taken and appeared as follows:

AFFIRMATIVE.

Messrs. Marriott Prest.

Forrest

Harrison Herbert

Sewell Smith

Thomas—7

NEGATIVE.

Messrs. Dennis

Heath

Kennedy

Rees

Whiteley-5

Determined in the affirmative, So the senate ordered the bill to be engrossed for a third reading.

The clerk of the house of delegates returned the bill, entitled, A supplement to the act for the better regulation of apprentices, heretofore rejected by the senate, accompanied by the following message; which was read.

By the House of Delegates,

February 23d, 1831.

Gentlemen of the Senate,

We return you the bill, entitled, A supplement to the act for the better regulation of apprentices, and respectfully request that it may be re-considered by your honourable body.

The indentures of apprentices being always recorded. in the office of the register of wills, many being made under authority of the orphans court, and many others requiring the approbation of that court, it appears that it would be a material improvement to commit to the same hands the general jurisdiction contemplated by this bill.

By order,

G. G. Brewer, Clk.

Also the bill, entitled, An act to distribute the school fund of Montgomery county, heretofore rejected by the senate, accompanied by the following message:

By the House of Delegates, February 23, 1831.

Gentlemen of the Senate,

We deeply regret that you have rejected the bill, entitled, An act to distribute the school funds of Montgomery county.