

Mr. Sappington from the committee to which was referred the bill entitled, a supplement to the act entitled, an act to incorporate the trustees of the public school in Middletown, in Frederick county, passed at December session 1822, chapter 179, reported that the committee had had said bill under consideration, and were of opinion it ought not to pass.

The bill was then read the second, and by special order the third time, and the question was put,

“Shall the bill pass?”

And it was determined in the negative.

On motion of Mr. Mayer, the bill entitled, a supplement (as concerns the city of Baltimore,) to the act entitled, an act to provide a summary mode of recovering the possession of lands and tenements holden by tenants for years or at will after the expiration of their terms, was taken up for consideration.

And the question was put,

“Shall the bill pass?”

It was determined in the affirmative, and the bill was sent to the house of delegates.

The bill entitled, an act to establish a bank and incorporate a company under the name of the Washington County Bank in the town of Williamsport, in Washington county, being entitled to a third reading, was taken up for consideration, and whilst progressing in the reading,

On motion of Mr. Sappington, the following amendment was read and assented to:

In the 4th line of the 12th section after the word “Williamsport” insert the words “or at the bank”

On motion of Mr. Dennis, the following amendment was read and assented to:

At the end of the bill add the following section:

“And be it enacted, That it shall not be lawful for the corporation aforesaid to receive or accept of any of its own shares of stock in payment of any debt or debts, and if any share or shares are so accepted, then and in such case the charter hereby granted shall immediately thereupon be forfeited and annulled, and each and every director consenting to such acceptance shall forfeit and pay for every share he consents so to accept, the sum of fifty dollars, the one half to the informer and the other half to the state, to be adjudged and allowed on indictment and conviction or confession of the party accused, in the county court of the county wherein the banking house of said institution is situated.”