

collector of Saint Mary's county, was read the third time and passed.

Mr. Dennis from the committee on Finance, to which was referred the resolution relative to the states' claim on the government of the United States, reported favorably thereon. It was then read the second and by special order the third time and assented to.

The bill entitled, an act relating to crimes and punishments, being entitled to a third reading, was taken up for consideration, and whilst progressing in the third reading,

On motion of Mr. Mayer, the following amendment heretofore assented to, was reconsidered and dissented from.

In the 11th line of the 2nd section after the word "mistress," insert the words "for a term of years not exceeding 16 in females, and twenty-one in males."

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

At the end of the 2nd section add:

"Provided however, that no binding shall be for a term extending beyond the age of 16 years in females, and 21 years in males, and that the infant be not bound to any service in the county within which he or she shall have been convicted."

On motion of Mr. Pigman, the following amendment was read.

Strike out the 3d section.

Mr. Dennis moved to amend the said 3d section by inserting the words "not of an aggravated kind of which the court is to be the judge," after the word "battery" in the 7th line.

The question was put, and decided in the affirmative.

The question was then put, "will the senate agree to strike out the said 3d section?"

The yeas and nays being asked for, were taken and appeared as follows:

AFFIRMATIVE.

Messrs. Claude, Pigman.—2.

NEGATIVE.

Messrs. Chapman, Hughlett, Osborn,
Dennis, Mayer, Sappington,
Emory, Montgomery, Wootton.—9.

So it was determined in the negative.

On motion of Mr. Mayer, the amendment heretofore as-