

The bill was then read through, and the question was put "shall the bill pass?"

It was determined in the affirmative.

The bill entitled a further supplement to the act entitled, an act to make a turnpike road from Baltimore to Havre-de-Grace.

Was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Dennis from the committee to which was referred the bill entitled, an act relating to free negroes and slaves passed at December session 1831, chapter 323, reported that the committee had had said bill under consideration, and were of opinion it ought to pass with the following amendment, which was read the first time.

Strike out the ninth section and substitute therefor the following section.

And be it enacted, That in all cases where the wife or the husband of, or the male or female united in wedlock with any slave, held and owned in this State by any Citizen thereof, shall be a slave owned and possessed by an inhabitant of any adjoining State, district or territory, it shall and may be lawful for the owner aforesaid of such wife or husband, or person united in wedlock to purchase, import, and bring into this State, from such adjoining State, district or territory, the said wife, husband or person: Provided, the solemnization of the marriage ceremony between such slaves, according to the form of some one of the churches or religious communities of this State, and by a minister of such church or religious community, be proved by the affidavit in writing of the person so purchasing such slave, or by the affidavit of some other creditable white person, and left to be recorded, with the clerk of the County Court of the County into which such slave shall be introduced, within thirty days from the day on which such slave shall have been brought into this State: And provided also, such marriage ceremony shall have been performed before the passage of the act aforesaid, passed at December session 1831, chapter 323.

The Senate adjourned until Monday morning, 10 o'clock.