

The question was then put, 'That the house agree to the second amendment? The yeas and nays being called for by Mr. Oneale, appeared as follow:

A F F I R M A T I V E.						
Messrs	Dorsey,	Thomas,	Craig,	Kent,	Shriver,	Hughes,
	Ford,	Digges,	R. Bond,	Earle,	Jarrett,	Davis,
	Hopewell,	T. Worthington,	Miller,	Robins,	Montgomery,	J. Johnson,
	Hebb,	Ridgely, of Wm.	Hollingsworth,	Wilson,	Douglafs,	Crefap,
	Ridout,	Kerr,	Carnan,	Baer,	Schnebely,	Lynn,
	Hall,	H. Johnson,	Sprigg,	Jamison,	Kerfner,	Beall.
	Brome,	Goldborough,				38.
N E G A T I V E.						
Messrs:	J. Worthington,	Harwood,	Waggaman,	Key,	Whittington,	Brookes,
	Mackall,	Carroll,	Frazier,	Brown,	Oneale,	Luckett.
	Horrell,	Nutter,	Quynn,	Dennis,		16.

So it was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Ridout, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker the following report:

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of James Fennell, report, that they have examined the principles on which he proposes to make salt, and for which he has obtained a patent from the government of the United States, and so far as they feel themselves competent to form an opinion on the subject, the principles appear simple, philosophical and practicable, but to what beneficial extent they may be carried into effect, this committee cannot determine, without actually attending a series of clear, unequivocal experiments, made with great accuracy and precision, which the business of the session will not permit. That salt has been and may be produced on experiment, they readily believe, and that future improvements may be made, with a view to carry the principles into effect on a larger scale, they think is very probable, but the state of our treasury will not, in the opinion of the committee, warrant the grant of a sum of money adequate to such an extensive erection of salt works as contemplated by the petitioner; but your committee submit to the house the propriety of a loan of two hundred pounds, on bond with sufficient security, to be approved of by the governor and council, to enable the petitioner, on a smaller scale, to make experiments, which may ultimately prove beneficial to the state, if successful. All which is submitted to the honourable house.

By order,

J. O'BRYON, 3d. clk.

Which was read.

A petition from sundry persons, counter to the petition of Gavin H. Smith, was preferred, read, and referred to the committee appointed on the petitions of insolvent debtors.

A petition from sundry inhabitants of Prince-George's, Saint-Mary's, Charles, Calvert and Anne-Arundel counties, respecting a port law, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Wootton, Mr. Horrell, Mr. Hall, Mr. Dorsey, Mr. M'Pherfon, Mr. Digges and Mr. Ridout, to consider and report thereon.

The bill to form a new parish, by the name of Washington Parish, to include the City of Washington and George-town, on Patowmack, was read the second time, and the question put, 'That the said bill do pass? The yeas and nays being called for by Mr. Douglafs, appeared as follow:

A F F I R M A T I V E.						
Messrs	Dorsey,	Thomas,	Goldborough,	Quynn,	Kerfner,	Luckett,
	Hebb,	Ridgely, of Wm.	R. Bond,	Dennis,	Hughes,	J. Johnson,
	Ridout,	Kerr,	Hollingsworth,	Robins,	Oneale,	Lynn,
	Hall,	H. Johnson,	Carnan,	Whittington,	Davis,	Beall.
	M'Pherfon,	Harwood,	Sprigg,	Schnebely,	Brookes,	29.
N E G A T I V E.						
Messrs:	Ford,	Horrell,	Carroll,	Craig,	Earle,	Baer,
	J. Worthington,	Digges,	Nutter,	Miller,	Brown,	Shriver,
	Mackall,	T. Worthington,	Frazier,	Kent,	Wilson,	Douglafs.
						18.

So it was resolved in the affirmative.

Sent to the senate by the clerk.

Mr. Winchester appeared in the house.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a bill to empower the visitors of Eden school, in Somerset county, to dispose of the property of the said school, and to apply the money to the purposes therein mentioned. ORDERED, That Mr. Robins, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Nutter, Mr. Carroll and Mr. Jamison, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

The report on the petition of sundry inhabitants of Maryland and Pennsylvania, was read the second time, concurred with, and leave given to bring in a bill pursuant thereto. ORDERED, That Mr. Hollingsworth, Mr. R. Bond and Mr. Winchester, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

Mr. M'Kim is excused for absenting himself, on Saturday last, without leave.

ORDERED, That Mr. T. Worthington and Mr. Digges be added to the committee on the petition of sundry inhabitants of Harford county.

The report on the petition of John Ferrell, was read the second time, concurred with, and leave given to bring in a bill pursuant thereto. ORDERED, That Mr. Davis, Mr. Oneale and Mr. Luckett, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

The report on the petition of Sarah Merriweather, was read the second time, concurred with, and leave given to bring in a bill pursuant thereto.