

# VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, NOVEMBER SESSION, 1804.

By the senate, December 20, 1804: Read the second time and will pass with the proposed amendments.  
 " By order, T. W. HALL, clk."

Which amendments were read.

Also the bill, entitled, An act to incorporate the stockholders in the union bank of Maryland, endorsed,  
 " By the senate, December 13, 1804: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

" By order, T. W. HALL, clk.

" By the senate, December 21, 1804: Read the second time and will pass with the proposed amendment.

" By order, T. W. HALL, clk."

Which amendment was read.

And the following message:

BY THE SENATE, DECEMBER 24, 1804.

GENTLEMEN OF THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES,

WE have received your message of the 21st instant, and have appointed Mr. Partridge, Mr. Honston, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Brown and Mr. Fossitt, a committee on the part of the senate to join the gentlemen by you appointed to compare and examine the engrossed bills.

By order, T. W. HALL, clk.

Which was read.

The house proceeded to the second reading of the amendments proposed by the senate to the bill, entitled, An act to establish a bank, and incorporate a company, under the name of The Farmers Bank of Maryland, and for other purposes; the first, second, third, fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh, eighth, ninth, tenth, eleventh and twelfth amendments, were agreed to: The question was then put, Will the house agree to the thirteenth amendment? which amendment is in the words following, to wit: At the end of the 12th page add, "provided however, that it shall not be lawful for the treasurer of either shore to deposite or exchange any public money with the said bank and branch bank, unless in pursuance of authority for that purpose from the legislature." The yeas and nays being required, appeared as follow:

## A F F I R M A T I V E.

Moore,	Lemmon,	Hyland,	Williams,	Cockey,	Montgomery,	Bowles,	Claggett,
Hatcheson,	Brown,	Alexander,	Clarke,	Hawkins,	Forwood,	Yates,	B. Tomlinson. 22
Stansbury,	Harryman,	Veazey,	Waters,	Ayres,			

## N E G A T I V E.

R' Neale,	Mercer,	Stuart,	Goldsbrough,	Miller,	Lowrey,	Holbrook,	Linthicum,
W. Neale,	Hall,	Chapman,	T. Bayly,	Contee,	Sturgis,	Potter,	Selby,
Hebb,	Dorsey,	M'Pherson,	Jackson,	Muir,	Handy,	Stephen,	Darne,
Scott,	Harwood,	Lloyd,	Cottman,	Shaaff,	Bond,	Ellicott,	J. Tomlinson. 36
Thomas,	Parnham,	Meluy,	Ennalls,				

So it was determined in the negative.

The remaining amendments were agreed to.

The following message was read and agreed to:

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, DECEMBER 24, 1804.

GENTLEMEN OF THE SENATE,

WE have agreed to all of the amendments proposed by you to the bill, entitled, An act to establish a bank, and incorporate a company under the name of The Farmers Bank of Maryland, and for other purposes, except the thirteenth. We consider this amendment calculated to injure the institution, while there can be no necessity for the provisions therein contained.

There is certainly nothing in the bill from which it can be implied that the treasurers, at any period or under any circumstances, are to make a deposite of any part of the public funds in the Farmers Bank, or that they shall in any manner exchange public money for paper which may be issued by the said bank. We apprehend the prudence and discretion of those officers will on such occasions so far regulate their conduct as to guard them against any act which can in the most remote degree be hostile to the public interest, while the restrictions contained in the said amendment will create a want of confidence among our fellow-citizens in the paper of the said bank.

We conceive the responsibility under which the treasurers respectively stand to the state, is amply sufficient to protect her interest against any danger which can possibly arise from a connexion between the treasury department and the bank, and therefore that the prohibition in the said amendment, not being required on that ground, will only serve to shew a legislative distrust in the operation of the scheme in detail, while the principle itself meets with its sanction. With this view of the case, we have sent the bill back for reconsideration, and propose a conference by committee with you on the subject, in hopes thereby to obtain a favourable determination on the same, and for this purpose have appointed Mr. Lloyd, Mr. Chapman, Mr. Shaaff, Mr. Goldsbrough and Mr. Stuart, on the part of this house, to join any gentlemen who may be named by you to compose the said committee, in case you should agree to the proposition herein contained.

By order, J. B. DUCKETT, clk.

On motion, ORDERED, That Mr. Stansbury and Mr. Harryman be added to the committee appointed to prepare and bring in a bill to reform the penal laws of this state.