

case of an actual invasion of the state, or when general military law is declared." Resolved in the affirmative.

The question was then put, That the following be added to the 10th section? "and the said regents, when duly assembled, shall have full power and authority to make their own rules of proceeding, and to make fundamental ordinances for the government and discipline of the said college, and to appoint the necessary officers of the same, in all which meetings a majority of the whole number of regents shall be a quorum to do any business, except to vacate the seat of a president, professor or lecturer, for which purpose the consent of two thirds of the whole number of regents shall be necessary." Resolved in the affirmative.

On motion, That the following clause be added to said bill? viz. "And be it enacted, That the said medical college and St. Mary's college, in the city or precincts of Baltimore, shall have full power and authority, by mutual consent, to form themselves into one university, to be known for ever by the name of Saint-Mary's University, in the city or precincts of Baltimore, and by the consent of each college, to make regulations and ordinances for the government of the whole, and also to admit any other college or colleges established, or to be established, by the general assembly of Maryland, into the said university," the question was put, That the further consideration of the same be postponed? Resolved in the affirmative.

The house adjourns until to-morrow morning 9 o'clock.

T U E S D A Y, December 8, 1807.

**T**HE house met. Present the same members as on yesterday, except Mr. Stevens, Mr. P. Spencer and Mr. Streett. The proceedings of yesterday were read.

Mr. Little, from the committee, delivers to the speaker a bill, entitled, An act to lay out and make a public road in Baltimore county; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

The bill for the relief of Mary Gwinn, of Frederick county, the message requesting a reconsideration of the same, and the resolution in favour of Jeremiah T. Chase, were sent to the senate by the clerk.

The house resumed the consideration of the bill for founding a medical college in the city or precincts of Baltimore, for the instruction of students in the different branches of medicine, and, on motion, leave was given to withdraw the amendment proposed, uniting said college with Saint-Mary's college.

The question was then put, That the house reconsider the said bill? Resolved in the affirmative.

The question was then put, That the word "regents" be stricken out? Determined in the negative.

The bill being read throughout, the question was put, Shall the said bill pass? Resolved in the affirmative; which bill was sent to the senate by the clerk.

The clerk of the senate delivers the bill to extend Centre-street, in the northern precincts of the city of Baltimore, and to build a bridge therein across Jones's Falls, the bill to make valid the will of Arthur M'Dade, late of Cæcil county, deceased, endorsed, "will pass." Ordered to be engrossed. And the bill authorising Benjamin Ray, late sheriff and collector of Montgomery county, to complete his collection, endorsed, "will pass with the proposed amendments;" which amendments were read.

The bill to authorise the drawing of a lottery within the city of Baltimore for the purpose therein mentioned, was read the second time, passed, and sent to the senate by the clerk.

A petition from Margaret and Harriet Hammond, of Baltimore county, praying an alteration in the law passed in the year 1803, for building a bridge over Hammond's ferry, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Little, Mr. C. Dorsey, Mr. Steuart, Mr. Belt and Mr. Harryman, to consider and report thereon.

The bill authorising a lottery for raising a sum of money for the purposes therein mentioned, was read the second time, passed, and sent to the senate by the clerk.

On motion, ORDERED, That the report on the petition of Evan Willing be withdrawn.

Mr. Winder, from the committee, delivers to the speaker the following report:

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of Evan Willing, of Somerset county, having taken it into consideration, report, that by the act of assembly of 1751, chap. 14, sec. 9, provision is made for the payment of any runaway slave that may be slain by any person in pursuit of him; that the negro mentioned in the petition was a runaway, and that at Snow-Hill, when pursued by sundry persons, he ran into the river to avoid being apprehended, and in consequence of this pursuit was drowned. The committee are of opinion that this case comes completely within the spirit of the law; that no distinction ought to be made as to the manner of the death, provided it was in consequence of the pursuit, the consequence was the same to the owner, and he is therefore entitled to the remuneration contemplated by the law, for which the committee submit the following resolution:

RESOLVED, That the treasurer of the western shore pay to Evan Willing, the sum of one hundred pounds for a negro slave who was drowned in consequence of his being pursued as a runaway.

All which is submitted.

By order,

D. L. JACOB, clk.

Which was read.

A petition from John Swan, counter to the petition of William Gwynn, of the city of Baltimore, was preferred, read, and referred to the committee appointed on the petition to which it is counter.