

The bill to incorporate a company to make a turnpike road from the town of Westminster, in Frederick county, through Harman's Gap, to Hagar's-town, in Washington county, was read the second time and passed.

On motion by Mr. Brent, the following resolution was read.
RESOLVED, That the treasurer of the western shore of this state be and he is hereby authorized to take and subscribe for two hundred and fifty shares in the Hagar's-town turnpike road company, for the state of Maryland, when the commissioners open their books in the city of Baltimore for obtaining subscribers thereto.

The house resumed the consideration of the bill concerning crimes and punishments.

On motion by Mr. C. Dorsey, the question was put, That the following clause be stricken out? to wit: "And be it enacted, That if any criminal shall actually remain in the penitentiary, and serve in confinement during the full time for which he or she was sentenced, the same shall have the effect of a pardon, to all intents and purposes, for the crime for which such criminal was convicted." The yeas and nays being required, appeared as follow:

A F F I R M A T I V E.									
Messrs	Plater	Ireland	C Dorsey	J S Moffitt	Hopper	Baer	Forwood	Hilleary	
	Harris	Wilkinson	Lucas	Boyle	Quinton	Schley	Gaither	Bayard	
	A Dorsey	Blake	Lecompte	J Brown	Wilson	Archer	Wharton	Reid	27
	Grahame	Stuart	Griffith						
N E G A T I V E.									
Messrs	Hall	Williams	M Brown	Bayly	Sands	Davis	Jump	Cellar	
	Angier	Sellman	Randall	Frazier	Palmer	Streett	Bland	Brent	
	W Moffitt	Harryman	Stevens	Groome	J H Thomas	Willis	Bowles	Cresap	25
	Belt								

So it was resolved in the affirmative.

On motion, the question was put, That the words "in preference to all other demands whatever" be stricken out of the twenty-second clause? The yeas and nays being required, appeared as follow:

A F F I R M A T I V E.									
Messrs	Plater	A Dorsey	C Dorsey	Lecompte	J S Moffitt	Prideaux	Schley	Veatch	
	Hopewell	Sellman	Randall	Griffith	J Brown	Quinton	Streett	Hilleary	
	Hall	Ireland	Bayly	Frazier	Hopper	Baer	S Thomas	Cresap	29
	Angier	Blake	Lucas	Groome	J E Spencer				
N E G A T I V E.									
Messrs	Harris	Williams	Stevens	Palmer	Davis	Worthington	Bowles	Brent	
	W Moffitt	Harryman	Sands	Archer	Willis	Bland	Cellar	Bayard	21
	Belt	M Brown	Boyle	Forwood	Jump				

So it was resolved in the affirmative.

On motion by Mr. J. H. Thomas, the question was put, That the words "except dower or jointure" be stricken out of said clause? Resolved in the affirmative.

On motion by Mr. Bland, the question was put, That the following be inserted after the twenty-fourth clause? to wit: "And be it enacted, That if any person or persons shall be presented or indicted for a misdemeanor, or any offence of an inferior nature, and shall, on trial thereof, be acquitted, or shall plead guilty, and submit his, or her or their case to the court, such court may, at their discretion, order the prosecutor to pay the costs, if such prosecution shall appear to have been frivolous or malicious, but if the court shall be of opinion that such prosecution was not either frivolous or malicious, and a greater number of witnesses have been summoned by such prosecutor than were, in the opinion of such court, necessary to support the charge, they may notwithstanding order the prosecutor to pay the attendance of such unnecessary witnesses, if it shall appear that they were summoned at his special instance and request." Determined in the negative.

On motion by Mr. J. E. Spencer, That the following be inserted, to wit: "And be it enacted, That if any person or persons shall be presented or indicted for a misdemeanor, or any offence of an inferior nature, and shall, on trial thereof, be acquitted, or shall plead guilty, and submit his, her or their case, to the court, such court may, at their discretion, order that no compensation for any attendance of the prosecutor shall be allowed; and if such prosecution shall appear to have been frivolous or malicious, then the prosecutor shall pay all the costs attending such prosecution;" on motion by Mr. Archer, the question was put on the first part thereof to the word "allowed." Resolved in the affirmative.

The question was then put, That the house assent to the residue of said amendment? Determined in the negative.

On motion by Mr. C. Dorsey, the further consideration of the same was postponed until to-morrow.

On motion by Mr. C. Dorsey, **ORDERED**, That the further supplement to the act, entitled, An act respecting the equity jurisdiction of the county courts, have a second reading on to-morrow.

The speaker laid before the house a letter from the register of the land-office, enclosing an account of fees, agreeably to an order of this house; which was read.

Mr. Herbert delivers a petition from Alexius Boone, late sheriff of Prince-George's county, praying further time to complete his collection; which was read and referred to Mr. Herbert, Mr. Perrie and Mr. Calvert, to consider and report thereon.

Mr. Worthington delivers a petition from William Merryman, sheriff of Baltimore, praying further provision for the reception of insolvent debtors in Baltimore gaol; which was read and referred to Mr. Worthington, Mr. Bland and Mr. Harryman, to consider and report thereon.