

Mr. Hughlett presents a petition from Mahaly Cooper, and Mr. Farquhar presents a petition from Eve Feezer, each praying for a divorce; referred to the committee on similar petitions.

Mr. Linthicum presents petitions from Sarah Jenkins and Hannah Foster; Mr. Hopper presents a petition from Sarah Evans; Mr. Edelen presents a petition from Ann Clements, each praying support; and a petition from the levy court of Charles county, praying for a modification or repeal of the law relative to out pensioners; severally referred to the standing committee on similar petitions.

Mr. Williams reports a bill, entitled, An act to provide for taking the sense of the people of this state on the expediency of calling a convention to reform the constitution of Maryland, and for other purposes.

Mr. Howard reports a bill, entitled, An act incorporating the Maryland Institute for the promotion of the Mechanic Arts.

Mr. Lee reports a bill, entitled, An act to alter and amend the several acts of assembly authorising the issuing certificates of freedom to persons of colour.

Mr. Thomas reports a bill, entitled, A further supplement to an act, entitled, An act relating to salted fish brought to the city of Baltimore, passed at December session 1823, chapter 203.

The house resumed the consideration of the unfinished business of yesterday.

After some time spent in debating the same, Mr. McCulloh called for the previous question, that is, Shall the main question be now put? Resolved in the affirmative.

The question was then put, That the house assent to the resolution proposed by Mr. Ridout?

The yeas and nays being required, appeared as follow:

## AFFIRMATIVE.

Kilgour	A. E. Jones	Sappington
Millard	B. J. Jones	Farquhar
Hawkins	Eccleston	Montgomery
Gough	Thomas	Williams
Harris	Grubb	Hall
Gantt	Gilpin	Potter
Linthicum	Harlan	Hughlett
Estep	Ridout	Merrick
Beckett	Speed	Kershner
Dalrymple	Ridgaway	Jacques
Rogerson	Hooper	Lansdale
Edelen	Parker	Lee
Turner	S. R. Smith	Willson
McCulloh	Mitchell	Perry
Goldsborough	Cockey	Blair—47
Banning	Barnes	

## NEGATIVE.

Speaker	Teackle	Sadler
Welch	Fannalls	Keene
Boon	Brohawn	Saulbury
Wickes	Douglass	Howard
Maxcy	Beall	Tyson
Brooke	Duvall	Kennedy
Worthington	Barrette	Reid
Showers	Hopper	Armstrong—26
Milliss	Stevens	

Resolved in the affirmative.

On motion by Mr. Teackle, the following Orders were read: