

and this re-payment, effected by the transfer of stock bearing the same interest with the loans, and constituting a part of the state's capital, deminished its revenue as much from that time, as its expenses had been increased before, by the payment of the interest. This interest, on a capital of \$ 436,000, amounted to an annual sum of \$ 26,160, which was thus deducted from the revenue of the state, and amounts to something more than the regular deficit, which this deduction produced, and which it now rests with the wisdom of the legislature to supply. In originating measures for this purpose, this house is forbidden by the constitution to take any part. The senate cannot propose a money bill. But it may be called on to act on the subject; and to enable itself to act properly, it ought to explore the ground, and to obtain the most accurate view in its power, of the condition and resources of the state. With this object, the committee presume that the reference to them was made, in pursuance of which they submit these statements and observations to the senate.

Which was read the first time and ordered to be printed.

The clerk of the house of delegates delivers a bill, entitled, An act for the relief of Joseph and Philip Turner of Saint-Mary's county; a bill, entitled, An act to revive and keep in force an act therein mentioned, a bill, entitled, An act to prevent swine from going at large in Union Town, of Frederick county; a bill, entitled, An act to record and make valid the deed therein mentioned; a bill, entitled, An act to authorise the recording a deed therein mentioned; a bill, entitled, A further supplement to an act to incorporate a company for erecting a bridge over Chester river, at Chester Town; a bill, entitled, An act respecting certain suits or actions wherein judgments may be reversed and writs of procedendo awarded; a bill, entitled, An act to repeal all that part of the constitution and form of government as relates to the division of Washington county into five separate election districts, and for other purposes. And the following resolution:

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, February 1, 1820.

Resolved, That the treasurer of the western shore be and he is hereby authorised, to pay Thomas Karney, for transcribing the muster rolls of the Maryland troops on the continental establishment, the sum of three hundred dollars, out of any unappropriated money in the treasury.

By order,

J. BREWER, Clk.

Which were read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

And returns the bill to confirm and make valid the acts and proceedings of James Houston as a justice of the peace for Caroline county, and the bill for the relief of the infant children of Levin H. Campbell, late of Dorchester county, endorsed, will pass. Ordered to be engrossed.

Also returns the bill supplementary to an act, entitled, An act for the relief of the poor within the several counties therein mentioned, endorsed, "will pass with the proposed amendment," which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

And the bill, entitled, A supplement to an act, entitled, An act to repeal all such parts of the laws of this state as authorise the courts of law to sentence negro or mulatto slaves to undergo a confinement in the penitentiary, endorsed, "will pass with the proposed amendments," which were read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

The bill authorising William Bruce, of Charles county, to bring into this state a negro man called Nace, and to retain him as a slave, was read the second time and laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Gale to reconsider the bill supplementary to the act, entitled, An act to authorise a lottery or lotteries in the city of Baltimore, the question was put, Will the senate reconsider the said bill? Resolved in the affirmative.

The bill being read, the question was put, Shall the said bill pass? The yeas and nays being required appeared as follow.

AFFIRMATIVE.

Mr. President, Messrs. Emerson, Harper, Howard, Jackson, Maxcy, Parnham, Taney and West—9.

NEGATIVE.

Messrs. Carmichael, Cresap, Gale, Hollyday and Hughlett—5.

Determined in the affirmative. Sent to the house of delegates.

On motion of Mr. Carmichael, Leave given to bring in a bill, entitled, An act to repeal an act to regulate lotteries, and the several supplements thereto. Ordered, That Messrs. Carmichael, Emerson and West, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

The clerk of the house of delegates delivers a bill, entitled, An act to authorise the levy court of Harford county, to levy a sum of money for the purpose therein mentioned; a bill, entitled, An act to prevent bullet-playing in Union Town, in Frederick county; a bill, entitled, An act to authorise the president and directors of the Conococheague Bank, to sell or otherwise dispose of the interest of the bank in the Cumberland bank stock; a bill, entitled, An act to repeal an act passed at December session eighteen hundred and seventeen, entitled, An act to impose a tax on all banks or branches thereof in the state of Maryland not chartered by the legislature; a bill, entitled, A supplement to an act, entitled, An act for the benefit of the University of Maryland; a bill, entitled, An act relating to constables in Harford county, and for other purposes; and a bill, entitled, An act for the benefit of the children of the late William H. Dorsey of Montgomery county; which were read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

And returns the bill, entitled, A supplement to an act, entitled, An act for the benefit of the University of Maryland, endorsed, "will not pass."

Also returns the bill for the benefit of William Turnbull, and the bill to empower the chancellor to make such decree as to him shall seem just and right in the case therein mentioned, severally endorsed, "will pass with the proposed amendments," which were read, agreed to, and the bills ordered to be engrossed.

The amendments proposed by the house of delegates to the bill, entitled, An act supplementary to an act, entitled, An act for the relief of the poor within the several counties therein mentioned, was read the second time, assented to, and the bill ordered to be engrossed.

The bill to prohibit the pernicious practice of cock-fighting and gaming within this state, and for other