eration of the unfinished business of yesterday, in reference to the bill reported by Mr. Du Val, the chairman of the committee on the militia, entitled, An act to regulate and organise the militia of this state, which occupied the house until the hour of adjournment.

THURSDAY, Feb. 15.

The speaker announced a message from the senate received yesterday by their clerk returning the bills and joint resolution, of the following titles, that were heretofore sent from this house, viz.

An act for the relief of the sheriff of Caroline county, and others of said county. And,

An act to alter the time of holding the county courts in Caroline county, at their March terms; severally endorsed, "will pass."

Petitions and memorials of the following titles were this day presented, viz.

By Mr. John W. Thomas, the petition of sundry inhabitants of Cecil county, praying the patronage of the state to an asylum for the education of the deaf & dumb. And,

By Mr. Dennis, the petition of Robert Stewart, collector of taxes for Somerset county, praying to be allowed further time to complete his collections.

Mr. Dennis, chairman of the committee to whom was this day referred the petition of Robert Stewart, the collector of the direct tax for Somerset county, praying to be allowed further time to complete his collections, submitted the following resolution; which was read the first time, and ordered to lie on the table, viz.

Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the time allowed to the collector of Somerset county for paying into the treasury the direct tax, due from said county, for the year eighteen hundred and twenty six, be and the same is hereby extended until the first day of November next. and that all interest due thereon till that day, is hereby released, and that all proceedings at law by the state against said collector for the non-payment of said tax, be suspended during the present year.

Bills of the following titles, were this day severally reported, viz.

By Mr. Nicholson, An act for draining the right prong of a branch, in Queen Anne's county, known by the name of Andover Branch This bill was read the first, and by special order, the second time passed and sent to the senate for their concurrence therein.

By Mr. Hardcastle, An act authorising the appointment of commissioners for the regulation and improvement of the Village of Greensborough, Caroline county.—And,

By *Mr.* Brown, An act to give the levy court of Caroline county, certain discretionary powers therein mentioned.

The bill to regulate and organize the militia of this state, being the unfinished business of yesterday, was taken up and passed—Ayes 34—Noes 33.

On motion by Mr. Winchester, the bill reported by him, entitled, A further additional supplement to the act, entitled, An act concerning crimes and punishments, was taken up for consideration, and read the second time and rejected—Ayes 32—Nays 33.

On motion by Mr. Bennett, the ordinary progress of business was suspended, for the purpose of considering the bill, reported by Mr. Reyner, entitled, An act to encourage the destruction of crows, in the several counties therein mentioned; which had been an order of the day for yesterday. In the progress of the second reading thereof, Mr. Norris was called to the chair by the speaker; when, on motion by the speaker the word 'Baltimore" was stricken from the first section of said bill.

On motion by Mr. Teackle, the words "provided nevertheless," at the end of the first section, were also stricken out.

The question was then propounded, Shall the said bill pass? Resolved in the affirmative, and so the bill was passed.

The house then adjourned until to morrow morning ten o'clock.

FRIDAY, Feb. 16.

The committee on pensions and Revolutionary claims, to whom was referred the petition of George Price, of Talbot county, have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the treasurer of the western shore pay to George Price, of Talbot county, or to his order, during life, in half yearly payments, a sum of money equal to the half pay of a private, as a further remuneration for his services during the revolutionary war.

By order,
Jacob S. Smith, Com. Clk.

The committee on pensions and revolutionary claims, to whom was referred the petition of Gideon Gambrel, of Caroline county, have had the same under their consideration, and beg leave to recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the treasurer of the western-shore pay to Gideon Gambrel, of Caroline county, or to his order, during life, in half yearly payments, a sum of money equal to the half pay of a private, as a further remuneration for his services during the revolutionary war.

On motion by Mr. Ridgaway, the following message was twice read:

By the House of Delegates, Feb. 16.

Gentlemen of the Senate.

We propose with the concurrence of your honourable body to close this session on the fifth of March next.

Mr. Samuel R Smith proposed to amend the same by striking out the word 'fifth, and substituting therefor the word 'first.'

On motion by Mr. Ridgaway, the said message, with the amendment proposed thereto, were ordered to be laid on the table.

The house then adjourned until to-morrow morning nine o'clock,

SATURDAY, Feb. 17.

The house met. Were present, the same members as on yesterday, except the honourable the Speaker, who left the seat of government this morning, for the purpose of visiting his family.

Whereupon, on motion by Mr. Stevens the house proceeded to ballot for a speaker pro tempore. John G. Chapman, esquire, was put in nomination by Mr. Stevens. The ballots of the members having been deposited in the ballot box, on examination thereof by the chief and assistant clerk, it appeared that John G. Chapman, esquire, was unanimously elected, who was thereupon conducted to the chair by Mr. Stevens.

Petitions and memorials of the following titles, were this day presented, viz.

By Mr. Hitch, the petition of sundry inhabitants of Worcester county, praying a change in the constitution and form of government, so far as it relates to the division of Worcester county into five several election districts.

And the petition of sundry persons residing in the fifth election district in Worcester county, praying that the constitution may be so changed that the said district may be divided into two election districts; severally referred to Messrs Hitch, Samuel R. Smith and Slemaker.

By Mr. Saulsbury, An act for the regulation and improvement of Denton, in Caroline county, and for other purposes.

The bill last mentioned, was read the first time, and on motion by Mr. Saulsbury, the house agreed to give it a second reading by special order. In the progress of the second reading thereof, Mr. Brown moved to amend the fith section by striking out the words 'and personal' in the third line thereof, after the word 'real.' And the question thereon being taken, it was decided in the negative.

Mr. Brown moved to amend the sixth section, by striking out the words 'eight dollars,' the sum directed to be levied and assessed by the commissioners as the annual tax on billiard tables kept in the village, or within one mile thereof, and inserting in lieu thereof, 'one hundred dollars.'

When, on motion by Mr. Samuel R. Smith, the question was divided, and put on striking out, and it was decided in the affirmative. The question then recurred, and was put on filling the blank with "one hundred dollars," as proposed by Mr. Brown, and determined in the negative.

On motion by Mr. Brown, the question was then propounded, That the said blank be filled with "fifty dollars," and it was resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Saulsbury then moved to strike out the clause imposing a tax on billiard tables as aforesaid, and the question thereon being taken, it was determined in the negative.

The bill having been read throughout, was then passed.

MONDAY, Feb. 19.

Petitions and memorials, of the following titles, were this day presented, viz.

By Mr. Saulsbury, the petition of Peter Muscleman, of Caroline county, praying pecuniary relief, by the passage of an act, authorising the levy court of said county to assess such sum of money on the assessable property of said county, as may be necessary for his support; referred to the committee on that subject.

On motion by Mr. Teackle, the bill, reported by him, entitled, An act supplemental to an act, entitled, An act to provide for the public instruction of youth in primary schools, throughout this state, was made the order of the day for Friday next, the 23d instant.

On motion by Mr. Denny, the bill reported by him, entitled, An act for the relief of the several counties of this state; (which had been an order of the day for the 24th ultimo, and was now amongst the unfinished business,) was taken up for consideration and read the second time. On motion by Mr. Barnes, the said bill was amended, by striking out the first, second, third and fourth sections, including the first word 'And,' of the preamble to the fifth section, and by inserting the words "by the General Assembly of Maryland," after the words "Therefore be it enacted," in the first line of that section.

On motion by Mr. Barnes, the title of the bill was then amended to read thus: "An act for the relief of certain negroes therein mentioned." The bill so amended was then passed

The bill reported by Mr. Brooke, as chairman of the committee on special acts of insolvency, entitled, An act supplementary to an act, entitled, An act for the relief of sundry insolvent debtors, passed at November session in the year 1805, chapter 110, was then taken up for consideration, in the ordinary and regular progress of business, agreeably to the rules of the house, read the second time, considered, and passed.

The bill reported by Mr. Hardcastle, entitled An act authorising the appointment of commissioners for the regulation and improvement of the village of Greensborough, in Caroline county, was then also read the second time, considered and passed.

The honourable Speaker, appeared in the house.

The bill reported by Mr. Beall, entitled An act to abolish all such parts of the constitution and form of government as prevent ministers or preachers of the Gospel from having a seat in the general assembly or in the council of this state was then taken up for consideration; and in the progress of the second reading thereof, Mr. M'Ilhenny offered the following amendment to be inserted at the close of the first section, viz

Provided, The said minister or preacher of the Gospel, has not had, at the time of his election, any charge, congregation or parish, nor received any perquisite, pay, or salary for the performance of any clerical functions, for the space of at least 12 months previous to his said election.

And the question on agreeing to said amendment being taken, it was determined in the negative.

The clerk having concluded the second reading of the bill, the question was then propounded, Shall this bill pass?

The yeas and nays being required by the seven members, were taken and appeared as follow;—Affirmative 11—Negative 56.

So the question was determined in the negative, and the said bill was therefore rejected.

The house then adjourned until to morrow morning 9 o'clock.

Easton Gazette.

EASTON, MD.

SATURDAY EVENING, FEB. 24.

On our first page we have commenced the interesting tale of "The Sea Voyage" extracted from the *Album*—It obtained the premium (a gold medal valued at fifty dollars) offered by the Editor of that paper for the best literary production that should be produced before the first of January last—we shall give the conclusion in our next.

FARMER'S MEETING.

At a meeting of the Farmers of Talbot county, held in the court house at Easton, the 20th February, 1827, agreeably to public notice—Edward N. Hambleton, Esq. was called to the Chair and John Loockerman appointed Secretary. The meeting being called to order, Robert H. Goldsborough delivered an appropriate & eloquent address in explanation of its object.

Whereupon it was resolved, That a committee be appointed to make such a report as would embrace the purpose of the convention—

Upon motion it was resolved, That Robert H. Goldsborough, Richard Spencer, Samuel Harrison, John Rogers, Samuel Roberts, Samuel Kennard and William H. Hayward, should compose the committee The following preamble and resolutions being then offered by the committee were unanimously adopted, viz.

The Farmers have learned with great pleasure, that both branches of the City Council of Baltimore, did on the 26th day January last, repeal their Ordinance requiring all corn, oats, rye, &c. to be sold by fixed weights, and hope that the regulation of the internal commerce of Maryland in these great staple products is no longer in danger of being intermeddled with by a chartered corporation.

The Farmers of Talbot regard the repeal of this ordinance by the city councils of Baltimore, as evidence of better considerations and juster sentiments than those which dictated the measure on which they were about so seriously to remonstrate—they congratulate them on this wise reversal of a bad state of things—they meet it with their heartiest approbation.

Whilst the farmers of Talbot (and they believe they speak the sentiments of their brethren in Maryland) are resolutely determined that the rights and interests of their profession shall not be injuriously intermeddled with, or improperly abridged, by any powers whatsoever within the state—yet they desire that this sentiment should not be considered as a mark of hostility against any one, and particularly against the city of Baltimore.

The farmers hope they have too much wisdom and too much justice to be moved by any other sentiments than those of the best feelings and heartiest good wishes towards the city of Baltimore, the grand and flourishing commercial mart within the state, the growing issues from which as from a great State Exchequer, mark the rise and progress of the general prosperity. They know that the interest of Baltimore and the interest of the farmers is a common interest, and they mean to preserve it so—From this reflection and from a generous sentiment of philanthropy, they wish invariable health to the city of Baltimore—they wish her the best increase in population, wealth trade, arts, science and in every thing that can tend to promote her comforts, her fame, her magnificence and splendor—The farmers of Talbot, though bound down to the unostentatious pursuit of their sequestered and peaceful toils, are by no means destitute of high sentiments of state pride and general state aggrandizement—They know how to appreciate the great advantage of a large and growing commercial city within the bosom of their territory—They will cherish and promote it—and whilst they will administer to its interests, they will maintain their own.

Therefore *Resolved*, That the late repeal by the city councils of Baltimore, of the ordinance requiring all corn, oats, rye, &c. to be sold by established weights, affords us much gratification, because we considered that ordinance as flowing from unauthorized power and certainly productive of injustice—And because we believe the repeal of it will be mutually beneficial to us both.

Resolved, that the regulation of the internal commerce of this state in any of its great staple commodities, does not belong to any corporation erected within this state, and ought not to be confined to any—That authority, so far as it touches no power already vested in the federal government, belongs exclusively to the state and the people, to be exercised by their representative legislature for the common benefit, who are immediately responsible to the whole body of the people.

Resolved, That we feel much pleasure that the repeal of the aforesaid ordinance has removed the necessity of employing the Supreme Legislative authority of the State to interpose in our behalf—we deprecate such contests in the state and hope they never may arise—but the late occurrence gives us a renewed occasion to applaud and venerate the wise and worthy authors of our state constitution, who, in the distribution of legislative powers, have furnished a protection to the farmers and to the great body of the people of the state (if they will, but preserve it from all change however specious the pretext) that will be a citadel of refuge to them and to their children's children, against all illegitimate and irresponsible power whatever.

RESOLVED, That it is highly important that the Farmers of our country should be more vigilant over their own interests, and more prompt and more alert to meet together to express their opinions upon measures affecting the agriculture of the country—to shew their strength and weight in the community, in order that they may be felt as one of the great interests of the state, whose welfare eminently merits promotion rather than continued depression to serve to promote others—and that we will in future hold ourselves ready to meet together to consult and to express our sentiments upon all public measures that may in anywise tend injuriously to affect the interests of the Farmers.

On motion it was resolved that the proceedings aforesaid should be signed by the chairman & secretary, and publisehd in the Easton papers.

EDW'D N. HAMBLETON, Chair'n.
JOHN LOOCKERMAN, Sec'ry.

Extract of a letter to the Editor, from Annapolis, dated Feb. 16.

"On Monday last the U. States Troops at this place, commanded by Lieut. Lendrum, were reviewed by his Excellency the Governor of Maryland—after the review, the Governor and his suit examined the Barracks—several gentlemen were invited, among others myself—we went through all the different apartments—never was I more gratified—every thing was in the neatest possible order—the most scrutinizing eye could have found no blemish—it was the hour when the soldiers mess was about to be served up—I must confess it gave me great pleasure to view the neatness of their dining establishment—furnished with good and substantial food, inviting even to the appetite of an epicure.

"It is true I am not much acquainted with the discipline of soldiers quarters, but when I marked the good order of every department, I could not but exclaim, I should have no objection to live in such quarters—where an officer performs his duty faithfully he is entitled to praise, and none is more deserving of it than Lieut. Lendrum & the officers under him."

O. H. W. Stull, esq. has been appointed Post Master at Hagerstown, Maryland, in place of Mr. Kennedy resigned.

A sheet iron factory is in operation at Fairhaven, Vermont, capable of making two tons per week, and said to be the only factory in the United States, where sheet iron is manufactured from the raw material.

A very singular and affecting incident occurred in one of the legislative house of N Carolina a few days ago. John Stanly, Esquire, speaker of the house of commons a gentleman well remembered as an able member of congress several years ago, and one of the most distinguished citizens of his native state, while in the discharge of the duties of the chair, and in the enjoyment of health, was suddenly prostrated by a paralytic affection, which deprived him of the power of speech or motion.—He was carried to his lodgings, where he still lies, incapable of moving. General James Iredell was appointed speaker of the house, pro tempore.

TO CORRESPONDENTS.—"Hibernicus" shall appear in our next.

MARRIED

On Thursday last, by the Rev. James Thomas, Charles D. Floyd, Esq. of St. Augustine, East Florida, to Miss Ann Garey, of this county.

—— On Thursday last, by the Rev. Lott Warfield, Mr. Thomas R. Brooks, Merchant, of Caroline county, to Miss Eliza Sherwood, of this town.

—— On the 15th inst. by the Rev. Charles Reed, Mr. Henry Green of Queen Ann's, to Miss Sarah Leonard, of this county.

DIED

In Centreville on the 13th inst. in the 22d year of her age, Mrs. MARGARET ANN HOPPER, consort of Philemon B. Hopper, Esq. Associate Judge of the 2d Judicial District.

When about 12 years old, Mrs. Hopper embraced religion, and united herself to the Methodist Church, in which she continued till the time of her death—her illness (the consumption) was long and tedious—but she endured her afflictions like the christian.

In the early part of last summer, while alone in her room, she became remarkably drawn out in prayer and became very happy. From that time till her dissolution she felt no fear for her eternal welfare, and often rejoiced in the knowledge of the forgiveness of her sins. The dying scene was such a one as might have been expected. She was the first to remark her approaching dissolution, and observed to a friend—"*I am dying—and Jesus is with me.*" when another of her friends came into the room she clasped his hand saying—"*The time is come, and I am ready.*" or words to that effect. Upon being interrogated whether she suffered—she replied—"*No, I shall soon fall asleep in the arms of Jesus.*" After the friends whom she had requested to sing, had finished, she exclaimed, "Go on—'tis delightful;" and raising her eyes longingly to Heaven, continued—"Oh! Glory!—COME, LORD JESUS COME, & BEAR ME AWAY!" She observed to a friend in the room, who had just entered and asked her how she was—"I am quite calm—waiting to be gone." Not the least sign of fear or alarm was manifested by her; and there can be no doubt that she has escaped to the skies and rests in Abraham's bosom forever.

As a fond and affectionate wife, Mrs. Hoppes could have no superior. As a mother and step mother she was tender and indulgent; and by visitors in the family, it has been remarked, that no one could tell from her conduct which were her own children and which were not. As a mistress, she was indulgent and kind—and as a friend, she was frank and sincere. Her husband & friends cannot but regret the loss of her agreeable society; yet they have the consolation which makes them not "sorrow as those without hope," they look forward to a day, yea, a glorious day, when they will rejoin her on the shores of everlasting peace; and blessed are the dead who die in the Lord, they rest from their labours and their works follow—Oh! let me die the death of the righteous, and let my last end be like hers.'

—— At her residence in Somerset county, on the evening of the 9th inst. Miss Mary Wright, aged 67 years.

N. Donnelly

Professor of Languages in Centreville Academy respectfully informs the Patrons of that Institution and the Public generally that a few boys can be accommodated with Board, Washing and Bedding, at his house on terms suited to the times.

Particular attention shall be paid morning and evening, to the instruction and morals of those who may be intrusted to his care.

Feb. 24 5w

THE CELEBRATED JACK,



BOLIVAR.

Whose mules are universally admired for their size, beauty & docility, will positively stand the ensuing season at Easton & the Trappe alternately, & at Ennalls Martin's, Esq. in Wye Neck, provided arrangements can be made for his crossing the river at deep landing—This latter stand is at the particular request of several gentlemen in Queen Anne's county, who have proved Bolivar's progeny and know him be a sure foal getter. The terms will be four dollars for the spring's chance, and six dollars to ensure a mare in foal, with 25 cents in each case to the Groom.

EDW'D N. HAMBLETON.

Feb. 24.

Negroes for Sale.

Will be offered at public sale at Easton on Tuesday the thirteenth day of March next, several young negroes both male & female; they will be sold for cash, with a prohibition not to go out of the state, a bond will be required of the purchaser to that effect, the subscribers have authority from James Seth, Esqr. to dispose of the above negroes, to pay several debts, for which the subscribers are security.

WILLIAM JENKINS.
ROBERT LAMBDIN.

Feb. 24.

A FRESH SUPPLY OF GOOD

MATERIALS.

The subscriber begs leave to inform his friends and the public generally, that he has just received from Baltimore, a supply of

CALF SKINS AND MOROCCO,

Of a superior quality, suitable for BOOTS—also a quantity of SOLE LEATHER, which he will manufacture at the shortest notice, & in the very best manner. Gentlemen disposed to purchase Boots, would do well to give him a call.

The public's obedient servant,
JOHN WRIGHT.

Feb. 24 3w

Public Sale.

By virtue of an order of the Orphans' court of Talbot county, will be exposed to public vendue, on Thursday the 8th day of March next, at the late residence of Capt. William Ray, in Miles River Neck, all the personal estate of said deceased, (negroes excepted) consisting of household and kitchen furniture, horses, cattle, sheep, hogs, farming utensils, a quantity of corn in the ear, corn blades, pork, and many other articles too tedious to mention.

Terms of Sale—For all sums of and under five dollars the cash will be required, for all sums above five dollars, a credit of six months will be given, the purchaser giving note with approved security, bearing interest from the day of sale—Sale to commence at 10 o'clock, A. M. and attendance given by

PETER STEVENS, Jr. Adm'r.
of William Ray, deceased.

Feb. 24.

Public Sale.

Will be sold at public vendue at the late residence of Robert Dawson, deceased on Thursday the 8th of March next, all the personal estate of said deceased consisting of Horses, Cattle, Sheep and Hogs, Farming Utensils, Household and Kitchen Furniture, &c. &c.

Terms of sale—A credit of six months will be given on all sums of and over five dollars the purchaser or puchasers giving note with approved security bearing interest from the day of sale—on all sums under five dollars the cash will be required—Sale to commence at 10 o'clock, A. M. and attendance given by

JOHN DAWSON, Adm'r.
of R. Dawson deceased.

Feb. 24.

Sheriff's Sale.

By virtue of a writ of fieri facias, issued out of Talbot county court, to me directed against John McQuay, Jr. and Tristram Faulkner, Executors of Patrick McQuay, at the suit of Jeremiah Harrison, administrator of Mary Harrison, will be sold at public sale, on Tuesday the 20th of March next, at the Court House door, in the town of Easton, between the hours of 10 o'clock, A. M. and 4 o'clock, P. M. the following property, to wit:—All the right, title, interest and claim of John McQuay and Tristram Faulkner, of, in and to the farm or plantation where the said John McQuay now resides, situate in the Bay Side, or Dirty Neck, and known by the names of Hamshier and part Divine St. Andrew, containing in all 91 acres of land, more or less, also one negro boy called Henry and one negro girl called Ann—Seized and will be sold to pay & satisfy the above mentioned fieri facias, and the interest and costs due and to become due thereon, also for officers fees for 1825 and 1826. Attendance by

THO. HENRIX, Shff.

Feb. 24.

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