

ed to bring a bill to alter and change all such parts of the constitution and form of government as relate to the election of the senate.

That so much as relates to the offices of clerk and register, be referred to the committee heretofore appointed to bring in a bill to alter and change all such parts of the constitution and form of government as relate to clerks of county courts and registers of wills.

And that all such parts of said memorial as relate to the levy court, be referred to the committee appointed to bring in a bill to provide for the election of the levy court by the people.

On motion by *Mr. Kennedy*, Ordered, That the committee of claims procure 6 copies of the work lately published by J. V. N. Yates, secretary of the state of New York, on the subject of canals, with an atlas, maps and surveys.

On motion by *Mr. Teackle*,

Ordered, That the treasurer of the western shore be required to report to this house the amount of stocks sold, the time or times when, and of the means raised by loan or loans, and the time of each, to defray the expenditures of the late war; also the amounts refunded or repaid to the state by the United States, and the times at which they were respectively received at the treasury, and also the amount heretofore claimed by the state of Maryland, the payment of which has been suspended.

The clerk of the senate delivers the following message:

By the Senate, January 9, 1826.

Gentlemen of the House of Delegates,

We have received your message of this morning, proposing the appointment of a joint committee to call upon the governor elect, to request his attendance in the senate chamber to qualify according to the constitution and form of government, and have appointed Messrs. Quinton and Brownley to join the gentlemen named by your house.

By order,

Wm. Kilty, Clk.

And a petition from Nathaniel Chew, endorsed, "referred to the house of delegates;" which was referred to the committee on pensions and revolutionary claims.

*Mr. Sudler* obtained leave to bring in a bill, entitled, A supplement to the act to restrain the evil practices arising from negroes keeping dogs, and to prohibit them from carrying guns or offensive weapons, and for other purposes. Ordered, That the committee on a similar subject, report the same.

*Mr. Williams* reports a bill, entitled, An act to limit the operation and effect of mortgages.

On motion by *Mr. Eccleston*, the following report was read, and concurred with:

The committee, to whom was referred the petition of John Wheeler, of Dorchester county, praying the confirmation of a deed, have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report—That a certain Elizabeth Wheeler, late of the county aforesaid, did by a deed dated the eighteenth of April eighteen hundred and eighteen, grant, convey and confirm, to the aforesaid John Wheeler, her son, all her right and title to or interest in, a certain tract of land lying and being in the county aforesaid, which said deed your committee have examined, and wish to be considered as a part of this report; as also the certificate, under oath, of a certain John Jones, at that time one of the justices of the peace in and for Dorchester county, before whom the said deed was