

They cannot but believe, but that the appointment of a committee would be calculated to make an unfavourable and unjust impression on the minds of persons unacquainted with its character towards the city of Annapolis, as a suitable position for the establishment of such academy.

They therefore dissent from your message, and consider it their duty to remove any impression, injurious to the place, which the communication of Mr. Weems might produce, by recording the fact, that Saint John's college has been in operation nearly forty years, and during a large portion of that time has numbered more than one hundred students on its rolls, and in all that period has lost by death, but one of its scholars, this fact conclusively proves, in the opinion of the senate; that the reputation of the place for healthiness is well founded, and that there exists no necessity to raise the committee proposed in your message.

By order,

Wm. Kilty, Clk.

Also the resolution in favour of John Barnes, clerk of Charles county, endorsed 'reconsidered and assented to.'

Also the supplement to an act, entitled, An act to incorporate a company to make a turnpike road from the Susquehanna, through Charles-town, to the Elkton and Christianna turnpike road; also the supplement to an act, entitled, An act authorising commissioners to purchase a fire engine for the use of Williamsport, in Washington county; and the bill to establish the times of paying the salaries of civil officers, and the pensions of revolutionary officers and soldiers, and of their widows, severally endorsed "will pass." Ordered to be engrossed.

And the bill for the relief of Lambert Beard, of Cecil county, endorsed 'will pass with the proposed amendment;' which amendment was read.

On the second reading of the bill relating to the treasury department, and to regulate the collection and expenditure of the revenue of this state,

Mr. Kennedy moved to refer the same to the next general assembly? Determined in the negative.

Mr. Kennedy moved the following as an additional section:

And be it enacted, That the treasurer of the western shore be and he is hereby authorised, to employ a clerk in his department, at a salary not exceeding eight hundred dollars per annum.

On motion by Mr. Stevens the \$800 was stricken out.

Mr. Kilgour moved to fill it up with \$500? Determined in the negative.

Mr. Stevens moved 300 dollars? Determined in the negative.

The section was then rejected.

Mr. Kennedy moved the following section: "And be it enacted, That the auditor-general shall hereafter receive a salary of 1500 dollars per annum?" Determined in the negative.

Mr. Speed moved to refer the bill to the first day of June next? Determined in the negative.

The bill was then passed and sent to the senate.