

When on motion by Mr. Kent, the house was called and the door-keeper sent for the absent members.

On motion by Mr. Burchenal, the house resolved to proceed with the ordinary business of the session, during the absence of the door-keeper.

On motion by Mr. Burchenal, Ordered, That no officer of this house or of the state, shall be at liberty to purchase any articles for the use of this house, or make any improvements in or about said house, in the recess of the session, without first being instructed by the executive, (in writing) so to do, in which shall be expressed the articles to be purchased or improvements necessary to be done.

The clerk of the senate returned the bill, entitled, An act for the relief of Caleb Steuart and Richard Mace, of Anne-Arundel county; also the bill, entitled, A second supplement to the act, entitled, An act to incorporate the Baltimore and Ohio Rail Road Company, passed at December session 1826, chapter 123; also the bill, entitled, An act to compensate the adjutant general of this state; also the bill, entitled, An act to incorporate a company under the name of The Jefferson Library Company; also the bill, entitled, An act to keep in repair the causeway near the town of Salisbury in Somerset county; also the bill, entitled, An act for the relief of Susanna Holmes of Baltimore county; severally endorsed "will pass." Ordered to be engrossed. Also the bill, entitled, An act prescribing the duties of the several armourers of this state, endorsed "will pass with the proposed amendments;" which amendments were severally read the first and by special order the second time, assented to, and the bill ordered to be engrossed. Also the bill, entitled, A supplement to an act, entitled, An act for regulating and inspecting weights and measures used in this state, passed at December session 1825, chapter 206; also the bill entitled, A supplement to the act, entitled, An act to incorporate The Franklin Turnpike Road Company, passed at December session 1827, chapter 186; also the bill, entitled, An act to provide for the admission of Allegany county to the benefits of an act, entitled, An act to provide for the public instruction of youth in primary schools throughout this state, severally endorsed "will not pass." Also the resolution in favour of John Rigney of Frederick county, endorsed "assented to." Ordered to be engrossed. And delivered a bill originated in and passed by the senate, entitled, A supplement to the act, entitled, An act to incorporate The President and Directors of the Baltimore Water Company, passed at November session 1808, chapter 79;