

The rules were suspended, to enable him to report from the select committee on a bill entitled, an act to provide for filing, transcribing and preserving the public records now in the State House, at Annapolis;

Which was read the first time.

Also on a bill entitled, an act to provide for the better regulation and conduct of the business of the Land Office;

Which was read the first time.

The order of the day being,

Ordered, That this House meet at 8 o'clock at night from and after Tuesday next, hereafter, until otherwise ordered, and at which night session bills entitled to a second reading shall be entitled to the preference over other business;

Mr. Rankin offered the following substitute:

Ordered, That hereafter the house meet at 8 o'clock on Tuesday and Thursday evening, until otherwise ordered.

Mr. Silver offered the following substitute:

Ordered, That this House shall hereafter meet at 10 o'clock in the morning, until otherwise ordered.

Mr. Harding moved that the whole matter be laid on the table;

Which was determined in the negative.

Mr. Silver called for the previous question;

Which was sustained.

The question was then taken on the substitute offered by Mr. Silver;

Which was determined in the negative.

The question was next taken on the substitute offered by Mr. Rankin;

Which was determined in the negative.

The question then recurring on the original order,

Mr. Merrick called for the yeas and nays, which were ordered, and appeared as follows:

AFFIRMATIVE.

Messrs.	Scott,	Valiant,
Frazier, Sp. p. tem.	Stubbs,	Lester,