

dividends, revenues, or funds, so substituted, which shall be allotted to Somerset county; or out of the general school fund apportioned by the State to that county, if the substitution shall be for all funds without discrimination now appropriated by the State to the purposes of education in common schools.

Which was read the first and by special order the second time, assented to, and sent to the senate.

Mr. Blakistone asked and obtained leave to bring in a bill for the benefit of Francis Herbert, of St. Mary's county;

Referred to Messrs. Blakistone, Coad and Shaw.

Also, leave to bring in a bill to extend the right of challenge, in criminal prosecutions;

Referred to Messrs. Blakistone, Tuck and Martin.

Also, leave to bring in a bill for the benefit of the sheriff of St. Mary's county;

Referred to Messrs. Blakistone, Coad and Shaw.

Mr. Hammond asked and obtained leave to bring in a bill to change the place of holding the polls in the fourth election district of Anne Arundel county;

Referred to Messrs. Hammond, Ridgely and Owens.

Mr. Welch of Ann., submitted the following preamble and resolution:

Whereas, great inconveniences have occurred, and much injury sustained, by depredations committed upon the public property in the recess of the Legislature; and whereas, the said public property should be protected from injury—Therefore,

Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland, That

be and he is hereby appointed a superintendant, to take into his charge the public property during the recess of the General Assembly, and whose duty shall be to take charge of the furniture and other property, and at all proper times to air the halls of the House of Delegates and Senate Chamber, and to exercise the authority of protecting the public circle and its enclosures, and that he be allowed therefor the sum of two hundred dollars per annum to be paid in quarterly payments, out of any unappropriated money in the treasury, and that the several sums, as heretofore allowed, to the door-keeper of the House of Delegates, the messenger to the Senate, and messenger to the Governor for taking care of the furniture, airing the halls, &c. be and the same is hereby abolished.

Which was read the first and by special order the second time.

On motion of Mr. Holmes,

The blank in the said resolution was filled up with the name of William Murdoch.

On motion of Mr. Owens,

“Two hundred” was stricken out and “one hundred and fifty” inserted.

The question then recurred on the house assenting to the said resolution, and on being put,

On motion of Mr. Tuck,