

On motion of Mr. Tuck,  
Said bill was re-committed.

The bill from the senate, entitled an act for the relief of Christian Tabler, of Berkely county, in the State of Virginia, was taken up for consideration,

On motion of Mr. Tuck,  
Said bill was amended by adding at the end thereof as an additional section the following :

And be it enacted, That it shall be the duty of the clerk or register where the said negro's right to freedom may be recorded, to furnish her, before her removal at the expense of her said master, with a certified copy of the record under which she may hereafter be free;

On motion of Mr. Tuck,  
Said bill was further amended by striking out in the 2d section, seventh line, the words "five hundred," and inserting in lieu thereof "one thousand,"

On motion of Mr. E. A. Lynch,  
Said bill was further amended by inserting after the word "return," in the 4th section, third line, the following, "and for twelve months after the term of service shall have expired,"

The said bill was then read the second time as amended, and passed.

The bill reported by Mr. Tuck, chairman of the committee on grievances and courts of justice, entitled an act for the better security of the property of infants, was taken up for consideration, read the second time and passed.

The bill from the senate, entitled an act to give the chancellor and the county courts as courts of equity, jurisdiction in cases of divorce, was taken up for consideration,

On motion of Mr. Tuck,  
Said bill was made the order of the day for Wednesday the 3rd February.

The bill from the senate, entitled an act declaratory of the law authorising the closing of judgments in the several county courts of this State, and the amendment reported thereto from the committee on grievances and courts of justice, was taken up for consideration,

The amendment having been read was assented to;

The said bill was then read the second time and passed with the proposed amendment;

The Speaker announced that the hour had arrived for taking up the order of the day,

On motion of Mr. Le Grand,  
The house was called and the doorkeeper sent for the absent members.

On motion of Mr. Nesbitt,  
The house resolved to proceed with the ordinary business of the session during the absence of the doorkeeper.