

Which amendment was read the first and by a special order the second time, assented to, and the resolution ordered to be engrossed.

And, delivered a bill, originated in and passed by the senate, entitled an act to provide for the appointment of trustees of the poor of Somerset county;

Which was read:

On motion of Mr. Jones, of Somerset,

Said bill was read the second time by a special order, passed and returned to the senate.

The house then resumed the consideration of the bill, entitled an act for the general valuation and assessment of property in this State, and to provide a tax to pay the debts of the State;

The question before the house being upon the motion of Mr. Weems, to amend said bill by striking out in the 23d section, third line, the word "twenty," and inserting in lieu thereof "ten;"

Mr. Jones, of Kent, offered as a substitute for said amendment the following: to strike out in the 23d section, third line, the words "during twenty," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "not exceeding twenty nor less than ten;"

On the question being put, will the house accept said amendment as a substitute for the amendment offered by Mr. Weems? it was

Resolved in the affirmative.

The question then recurred upon the adoption of the amendment,

Mr. Nicols moved to amend said amendment by striking out "ten," and inserting "six,"

Resolved in the affirmative.

The question then recurred and was put upon the amendment as amended, and

Resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Weems moved further to amend said section by inserting after the words "except in Calverton county, where the levy court shall not sit more than six days;"

On motion of Mr. Sprigg of Allegany,

"Allegany county," was inserted in said amendment.

On motion of Mr. Welsh of Kent,

"Kent county," was also inserted in said amendment.

The question then recurred and was put, upon the amendment as amended, and

Determined in the negative.

On motion of Mr. Causin,

Said section was amended by striking out in the eleventh line the words "or of that of any other person;"

On motion of Mr. Nicols,

Said section was further amended by inserting in place of the words just stricken out the words "or that of any person under his or her charge."