

Mr. Gott reported a bill, entitled an act to abolish magistrates' courts in Montgomery county, and to extend the jurisdiction of single justices in said county;

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

On motion of Mr. Randall,

The house took up for consideration the bill reported by Mr. Le Grand, entitled an act to revive an act, entitled an act authorising certain alterations in Baltimore county and city court rooms, passed December session 1817, ch. 7;

Mr. Le Grand offered as a substitute for said bill, a bill entitled an act providing for the payment of the cost of certain alterations in Baltimore county court rooms;

Which was read.

On the question being put will the house accept the substitute? it was

Resolved in the affirmative.

The said bill was then read the second time, passed and sent to the senate.

Mr. Bowie, chairman of the committee on ways and means, made a favorable report upon the bill from the senate, entitled a supplement to an act, entitled an act to authorise the appointment of commissioner of loans;

Which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

On motion of Mr. Bowie,

The house took up for consideration the bill reported by him as chairman of the committee on ways and means, entitled an act imposing a tax on protested bills of exchange and promissory notes;

Mr. Graves moved to strike out the enacting clause of the bill:

Mr. Bowie called for the previous question, that is, shall the main question be now put, and it was

Resolved in the affirmative.

The question was then put, on striking out the enacting clause of the bill, and

Determined in the negative.

The question then recurred and was put, shall the said bill pass?

Determined in the negative.

On motion of Mr. Bowie,

The house took up for consideration the bill reported by him as chairman of the committee on ways and means, entitled a further supplement to the act to regulate sales by public auction;

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Said bill was amended by inserting after the word "Baltimore," in the 3d line, second section, the following, "Havre de Grace or Port Deposit;"

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Said bill was further amended by striking out in the 4th section, 3d line, "thirty," and inserting in lieu thereof "twenty;"