

Messrs. Owens of Anne Arundel, Sellman, Risteau and Hook. That Messrs. Poulteney and Powder were sick, and that Messrs. Sutton of Saint Marys, Hopewell, Willis, Eccleston, Traverse, Richardson, Tuck, Hamilton, Carmichael, Bryan, Foreman, Darby, Gittings, Davis and Boyle were absent from the seat of government.

Mr. Hammond moved to dispense with all further proceedings under the call;

Determined in the negative;

Mr. Forwood then moved that Mr. Owens of Anne Arundel be excused.

Some objection being made,

The Speaker decided that it would require the unanimous assent of the house, to excuse a member.

Mr. Causin then appealed from the said decision of the Speaker;

And on the question being put,

Shall the opinion of the chair stand as the judgment of the house;

It was determined in the affirmative.

On motion of Mr. Powell,

The vote refusing to excuse Mr. Owens of Anne Arundel was reconsidered.

On motion of Mr. Powell,

All the members in the custody of the Sergeant-at-arms were excused.

On motion of Mr. Geyer,

The house resolved itself into a committee of the whole, for the purpose of considering the bill entitled, an act for the resumption of specie payments by the banks and for other purposes, and after some time spent therein the speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Biser chairman, reported that the said committee had in obedience to order had the said bill under consideration, and had instructed him to report the said bill without amendment, which was read the first time and laid on the table.

The rule being suspended,

On motion of Mr. Graves,

Ordered, That the Treasurer report to this house, such of the annual bank statements as may have been put into his possession.

On motion of Mr. Causin,

The house adjourned until to-morrow morning 10 o'clock.

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TUESDAY, January 18th, 1842.

The house met. The proceedings of yesterday were read.

Mr. Carmichael presented the report of the Trustees of Centreville Academy in Queen Anne's county;

Read and referred to the committee on Education.