

erset county, into one institution, to be called the Trustees of Washington Academy, reported favorably thereon;

Read the second time by special order and will pass.

Mr. Forman reported a bill entitled, an act to regulate the time of holding elections in the several counties and cities in this State;

Read the first time and ordered to be printed.

On motion of Mr. Hopewell,

Ordered, That the thanks of this House be unanimously tendered to the Honorable John C. Le Grand, for the able, dignified and impartial manner in which he has discharged the duties of the chair, during the time which he has acted as Speaker.

Mr. Buchanan from the select committee to which was referred the bill from the Senate entitled, an act for the protection of Mechanics and others in Allegany county, reported favorably thereon;

Read the second time by special order and will pass.

The order just adopted, expressive of the thanks of this House to the Hon. John C. Le Grand as Speaker, having been presented him he addressed the House, and then resigned as Speaker.

Mr. Forwood then moved that the House proceed to ballot for Speaker.

On motion of Mr. Causin,

The house was called and the doorkeeper sent after the absent members.

After being absent for some time, he returned and reported that he had notified the absent members that their attendance was required in the House.

The House then proceeded to ballot for Speaker.

Mr. Forwood nominated Daniel S. Biser, Esq.

On motion of Mr. Geyer,

Messrs. Geyer and Crain were appointed tellers to collect the ballots and report the result;

After being engaged therein for some time, they reported that it appeared that sixty votes had been cast, of which Daniel S. Biser, Esquire, of Frederick county, had received thirty-eight votes, Thomas C. Risteau, Esquire, of Baltimore county, nineteen votes, and that there were three blanks;

Whereupon Daniel S. Biser, Esquire, was declared duly elected Speaker, and was conducted to the chair by Messrs. Hope and Crain.

The Speaker then laid before the House the following:

*House of Delegates,*

*January 27th, 1842.*

HON. DANIEL S. BISER,

Sir:—You will herewith receive my resignation as a member of the House of Delegates of Maryland.

With high respect,

Your obedient servant,