

Determined in the affirmative.

Mr. Hollyday submitted the following message:

Which was read, assented to and sent to the Senate.

*By the House of Delegates,*

*December, 29th, 1843.*

*Gentlemen of the Senate.*

We propose with the concurrence of your honorable body to proceed to the election of a Senator in Congress, this day at 1 o'clock, P. M. to fill the place made vacant by the expiration of the term of service of the Hon. John Leeds Kerr.

We have nominated on the part of this House, James Alfred Pearce, Esq.

By order,

Geo. G. Brewer, Clk.

On motion of Mr. Carey,

Leave was granted the committee on Ways and Means, to bring in a bill, to tax legacies and collateral inheritances.

Mr. Potter asked the following leave,

Leave to bring in a bill for the purpose of dividing the State into six congressional districts;

Which was read.

Mr. Potter moved that said leave be referred to a select committee to be composed of one member from each county, and the city of Baltimore;

Resolved in the affirmative.

The Speaker thereupon appointed Messrs. Potter, Johnson, Yellot, Stansbury, of Baltimore county, Levering, Stewart, Hope-well, Weems, Chapman, Bowdle, Harrison, Boteler, Hearn, Ghiselin, Lackland, Spencer, McKaig, Lankford, Nail, Stull and Kilgour the committee.

Mr. Welsh obtained leave to bring in a bill, to confirm the proceedings of certain commissioners and extend the time for making a road therein mentioned, in Baltimore county;

Ordered, That Messrs. Welsh, Poultney and Walker, report the same.

On motion of Mr. Carroll,

Leave was granted the committee on Colored Population, to bring in a bill to repeal the second section of an act, passed at December session 1833, chapter 224.

Mr. Reeder obtained leave to bring in a bill, to authorise commissions to take testimony, to be issued in all cases of appeals from decisions of single magistrates, and the district courts of Charles county;

Ordered, That Messrs. Reeder, Chapman and Freeman, report the same.

Mr. Ligon submitted the following order:

Which was twice read and adopted.

Ordered, That the Treasurer of the Western Shore be required to furnish this house, with a statement of the annual receipts into