

Resolved in the affirmative,

The doorkeeper having returned, reported that in obedience to order, he had notified the absent members that their attendance in the House was required.

The House then resumed the consideration of the preamble and resolutions submitted by Mr. Powder on the 3rd instant, in relation to suspending the collection of State taxes, until this or a subsequent Legislature shall have provided an efficient system of taxation, &c.

Mr. Kilgour moved to refer said preamble and resolutions to the committee on Ways and Means;

Resolved in the affirmative.

On motion of Mr. Powder,

The yeas and nays were ordered and appeared as follows:

AFFIRMATIVE.--Messrs. Watson, (Speaker,) Hopewell, Spencer, Tilden, Hollyday, Johnson, Warfield, Chapman, Reeder, Freeman, Phelps, Chaplain, Calvert, Wooten, Semmes, Ghiselin, Harrison, Earickson, Buckey, Lynch, Thomas, of Frederick, Naill, Yellott, Hopkins, Potter, McKnett, Curley, Levering, Carey, Weber, Trundle, Kilgour, Griffith, Waters, of Montgomery, McKaig, Hammill, Smith, Fitzpatrick and Ecker.--38.

NEGATIVE.--Messrs. Murray, Thomas, of Anne Arundel, Ligon, Alnutt, Weems, Walker, Carroll, Jr., Stansbury, of Baltimore county, Welsh, Poultney, Bowdle, Thomas, of Talbot, Lankford, Waters, of Somerset, Philips Dennis, Stewart, Dail, Lackland, Owen, Harris, Temples, Purnell, Hearn, Franklin, Cathell, Shriver, Stephenson, Mann, Boteler, Hollman, Shaw, Stull and Powder.--34.

So the preamble and resolutions was referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

The rule being suspended.

Mr. Waters, of Somerset, submitted the following resolution:

Be it resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the further collections of State taxes be, and the same are hereby suspended, and all proceeding under the act passed on the 1st of April eighteen hundred and forty-one, 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," and all its supplements now passed, and hereafter to be passed, be, and they are hereby suspended, until a further and more perfect provision is made by the Legislature of Maryland, for the sale of all the works of internal improvement of this State.

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

On motion of Mr. Potter,

The House took up for consideration the resolution submitted by him in favor of Hanson B. Pigman, of Allegany county:

The said resolution was then read the second time, and assented to.

Mr. Freeman submitted the following message:

Which was read and assented to.