

chairman of the committee on Internal Improvement, entitled, an act to provide for the completion of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal to Cumberland and for other purposes;

Mr. Wootten then offered as a substitute for said bill, a bill entitled, an act to provide for the completion of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal and for other purposes;

Which was read.

Mr. Wootten moved that said substitute be printed, and the bill and substitute be postponed until to-morrow.

Mr. Stewart moved to postpone said bill and substitute until Wednesday next.

Mr. Phelps moved the previous question, and being demanded by a majority of the members present, the question was put, first on postponing said bill and substitute until Wednesday next, and Determined in the negative.

Mr. Murray called for the yeas and nays, which call was not sustained by the House.

The question then recurred and was put on the motion of Mr. Wootten, to postpone said bill and substitute until to-morrow, and Determined in the affirmative.

The clerk of the Senate returned the bill entitled, an act to continue an act passed at December session 1827, chapter 69, entitled an act to incorporate the Neptune Insurance Company;

And the bill entitled, a supplement to an act entitled, an act for electing commissioners for St. Mary's county, and prescribing their powers and duties, passed at December session 1838, chapter 67;

Severally endorsed, "will pass," and the bills ordered to be engrossed.

And delivered a bill, originated in and passed by the Senate, entitled, an act to authorise the clerk of Queen Anne's County Court, to correct a sheriff's return therein mentioned;

Which was read and referred to Messrs. Harrison, Earickson and Temples.

And the following message:

*By the Senate,*

*February 19th, 1844.*

*Gentlemen of the House of Delegates:*

We have received your message proposing to appoint a joint committee to wait upon His Excellency the Governor, inviting him to attend in the Senate Chamber, at two o'clock this day, to sign and seal the engrossed bills, and propose with the concurrence of your honorable body to change the time to five o'clock to-morrow evening (Tuesday.)

We have appointed Messrs. Maulsby and Martin, to join the gentlemen named by your honorable body.

By order,

Joseph H. Nicholson, Clk.

Which was read.