

Mr. Potter, chairman of the committee on Education, to which was referred the leave to bring in a bill for the appropriation of the poor school fund of Cecil county, asked to be discharged from the further consideration thereof;

On the question being put, on discharging the committee;

It was determined in the affirmative.

Mr. Phelps submitted the following order:

Ordered, That when this House adjourn, it stands adjourned to meet from day to day, (Mondays excepted,) at half past nine o'clock and sit for the dispatch of public business until two o'clock, P. M. That the House meet again at four o'clock, P. M. and sit until seven o'clock, and that hereafter the order of the day shall be taken up at eleven o'clock.

Which was read,

Mr. Potter offered as a substitute for said order, the following:

Ordered, That hereafter, when this House adjourn, it stands adjourned to meet from day to day at nine o'clock, and sit until four o'clock, P. M., and that the order of the day be taken up at eleven o'clock, instead of twelve o'clock;

Which was read,

On the question being put,

"Will the House accept the substitute?"

It was determined in the negative.

The question then recurred and was put, on the adoption of the original order, and

Determined in the affirmative.

The Speaker laid before the House the following communication from John M. S. Causin, Esq. resigning his seat as a member of the House of Delegates:

*House of Delegates,
February 20th, 1844.*

To the honorable,

Wm. H. WATSON, *Speaker
of the House of Delegates:*

SIR,—I herewith respectfully, resign my seat as a member of the House of Delegates from St. Mary's county.

Yours, &c.

JOHN M. S. CAUSIN.

Which was read.

Mr. McKaig presented the petition of John McHenry, Meshach Browning, Nicholas Baker, Murray Thayer, and sixty-two other citizens of district No. 1, in Allegany county, praying that the place of holding elections in said district may be changed to the house now occupied by Murray Thayer.

Mr. McKaig also, presented the memorial of Ralph Thayer, Richard Hite, John M. Buchanan, and one hundred and twenty seven other citizens of Allegany county, remonstrating against the passage of a law, confirming the purchase of an alms house, made by the commissioners of said county, and