

Capital actually paid in, and only on such excess. We return you the message in the hope, that upon a reconsideration of it, you will agree to pass it, including the provision you have dissented from, with the modification we suggest.'

No question being taken, it was indefinitely postponed.

The clerk of the senate returns the resolution in favour of the register of wills of Talbot county, and the resolution in favour of the collectors of Prince-George's county, severally endorsed 'assented to.'

The bill for the delivery of the will of Solomon Kitt; the further supplement to the act, entitled, An act declaring what shall be evidence in certain cases therein mentioned; the bill for the relief of Horace Morris, of the state of New York, severally endorsed 'will pass.' Ordered to be engrossed.

Also delivers a bill, entitled, An act concerning agents and factors; a supplement to an act, entitled, An act for amending and reducing into system the laws and regulations concerning last wills and testaments, the duties of executors, administrators and guardians, and the rights of orphans, and other representatives of deceased persons; a bill, entitled, An act relating to rights of dower; a bill, entitled, An act to alter and change the name of George Stiles Dew, a minor, of the city of Baltimore, to John Holland Barney; and the bill, entitled, An act to alter and amend the constitution and form of government of this state, so as to limit the duration of the sessions of the general assembly, severally endorsed 'will pass;' which were read.

And returns the additional supplement to an act, entitled, An act to incorporate the trustees of the Franklin academy or school in Baltimore county, endorsed 'will pass with the proposed amendments.' Ordered, That the amendments be the order of the day for Tuesday next.

Mr. Perry delivers the following report:

The committee to whom was referred the petition of John M. Hepburn, praying for the settlement of his claim, report—That they have examined his petition, and the accompanying documents, and do not think the prayer of the petitioner ought to be granted, and that he have leave to withdraw his petition.

By order,

Wm. H. Emory, Clk.

Which was twice read and concurred with.

Mr. Kennedy delivers the following report.

The committee appointed to bring in a bill to alter the time of electing representatives of this state in the congress of the United States, ask leave to report—

That under the present system of holding elections for representatives in congress, the election takes place on the first Monday in October, preceding the session when the term for which the representatives have been elected expires, and fourteen months before the representatives elect take their seats; and this system seems altogether at variance with the true principles of our government, in which immediate responsibility to the people is so strong a feature, for a member of congress is now entitled to hold his seat for one whole session after he may have lost the confidence of a majority of his constituents.

Every two years the session of congress expires on the fourth day of March, and the new congress meet on the first Monday in December following; and in case congress are called to meet at an earlier day,