the christian religion, by taking the several oaths required by the constitution and form of government, the oath of office directed by the act of assembly, and by taking the oath to support the constitution of the United States.

The speaker, attended by the members of this house, returned and

resumed the chair.

The house adjourns until to-morrow morning 10 o'clock.

Tuesday, Jan. 10, 1826.

The house met. Present the same members as on yesterday, except Mr. Lee and Mr. Goldsborough, who are absent on business of the state. The proceedings of yesterday were read.

Mr. Perry presents a petition from Daniel Swartzentrever, and others, praying they may be authorised to hold real property; referred to

Messrs. Perry, Blair and Reid.

The speaker laid before the house a communication from the mayor of Baltimore, in compliance with an order of this house; referred to

Messrs. Barnes, M'Culloh, Tyson, Boon and Sewell.

Mr. M'Culloh presents petitions from Daniel Day, and from William Ballison; Mr. Parker presents a petition from John Blake, referred to the committee on pensions and revolutionary claims.

Mr. M'Culloh presents a petition from Susanna G. Edmondson, for

a divorce.

The speaker laid before the house a pamphlet forwarded to him by the honourable Samuel Smith, containing the president's message in relation to the claim of Virginia, on account of interest paid by that state on moneys borrowed for the payment of the militia thereof; referred to the committee of ways and means.

The bill to encourage the destruction of crows in the several counties therein mentioned, was read the second time, passed, and sent to

the senate.

Mr. Williams reports a bill, entitled, An act to repeal all such parts of the law as authorise attorneys, practising in the courts of this state, to charge and collect legal fees.

Mr. Tyson presents a petition of John B. Davidge, and others, praying legislative aid for the medical society of Baltimore; referred to

Messrs. Tyson, Howard, Potter, Chapman and M'Culloh.

Mr. Hall presents a petition from Samuel Bradford, late sheriff of Harford county, praying to be allowed further commissions on the collection of public money, and to be released from the payment of interest on the balance yet due by him; referred to Messrs. Hall, Williams and Stevens.

The leave asked for by Mr. Williams to bring in a bill to reduce the per diem of the members, was read the second time, and the question put. That the house grant the same?

The yeas and nays being required, appeared as follow:

AFFIRMATIVE.

Welch Millis Stevens Brooke Teackle Cockey Brohawn Dalrymple Montgomery Grubb Worthington Williams Gilpin Hall Shower Harlan Turner Potter Beall Banning Keene Hughlett-24 Duvall Spencer