

And be it enacted, That it shall not be lawful for the corporation of the city of Baltimore to establish any higher rate of wharfage for barrels of salted fish than for barrels containing any other articles. Resolved in the affirmative.

The question was then put, Shall the said bill pass? Resolved in the affirmative.

The clerk of the senate delivers the bill to regulate the meetings of the trustees of the poor of Dorchester county, endorsed "will pass." Ordered to be engrossed.

The clerk of the senate delivers a letter from the honourable Edward Lloyd, to the president of the senate and speaker of the house of delegates, resigning his seat in the senate of the United States.

The bill to confirm and make valid the acts and proceedings of justices of the peace in this state, was read the second time and passed.

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

Wednesday, January 18, 1826.

The house met. Present the same members as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read.

The bill to confirm and make valid the acts and proceedings of justices of the peace, and the bill relative to salted fish brought to the city of Baltimore, were sent to the senate.

Mr. Farquhar presents petitions from Jacob Shutz and John Truck, old soldiers; referred to the committee on pensions and revolutionary claims.

Mr. Merrick presents a petition from John M. Hepburn, praying the settlement of his claim; referred to Messrs. Merrick, Chapman, Perry, Banning and Edelen.

Mr. Howard presents a petition from Christian Mayer and Charles F. Mayer, praying for the delivery of the will of Solomon Kitt; referred to Messrs. Howard, Tyson and Speed.

Mr. Teackle and Mr. B. I. Jones present petitions, praying for a further sub-division of the middle district in Somerset county; referred to the committee on that subject.

Mr. Speed presents a petition from Thomas Hendry and Ann his wife, praying for support; referred to the committee on that subject.

Mr. M'Culloh presents a petition from Basil D. Stevenson, and others, praying to be permitted to sell certain real estate; referred to Messrs. M'Culloh, Sappington and Barnes.

The speaker laid before the house a report from the auditor of the state, relative to the expenses of the government house.

Mr. Hawkins presents a petition from Arthur Wise, of Saint-Mary's county, a coloured emigrant from Virginia, praying he may be entitled to residence; referred to Messrs. Hawkins, Kilgour and Millard.

On motion by Mr. Williams, the following order was read:

Ordered, That in future, no bills founded on petitions or applications for charters, or acts of incorporation, shall have a second reading, until after they shall have been printed, at the expense of the parties applying for the same, and been distributed in the manner that is usual with regard to bills of a public nature.

On motion by Mr. Dalrymple, the following resolution was read:

By the House of Delegates, Jan. 14, 1826.

Whereas, the late Sutton I. Weems, esq. a member of the last general assembly from Calvert county, was, whilst at the seat of government, attacked with a disease, which confined him in this city from