

The question was put and determined in the negative.

On motion of Mr. Schley,

The following amendment was read and assented to:

In the 1st line of the 4th section, strike out the word "again," and insert after the word "Governor" the words "a second time during the same session, for the same office."

On motion of Mr. Bowie,

The following amendment was read and dissented from.

Strike out the 5th section and insert the following,

"And be it enacted, that the General Assembly upon the first Monday of January after the adoption and confirmation of this act, and upon the same day in every third year thereafter, shall by joint ballot, elect a person of integrity and wisdom, as Secretary of State, for the term of three years and until his successor has qualified, who shall discharge the duties and receive such compensation as shall be prescribed by law; and in case of the death, resignation or removal of the Secretary of State from the State or his office, the Governor may appoint a person of wisdom, integrity and experience, to fill the vacancy until the next meeting of the General Assembly, which shall elect as before mentioned."

The clerk of the house of delegates delivered certain resolutions and a bill,

Which were ordered to lie on the table.

The Senate adjourned until to-morrow morning, 10 o'clock.

THURSDAY, February 2, 1837.

The Senate met. Present the same Senators as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read.

The President announced the message received on yesterday from the house of delegates, being a preamble and resolutions relating to the practicability of a survey of certain navigable rivers immediately above Watkins' point, and of Tangier sounds,

Which was read the first time and referred to the committee on internal improvement.

And a bill entitled, an act to authorize Samuel Harman