

James Fling, and Susanna Shirley, widow of Bennett Shirley, severally endorsed, "assented to," and severally ordered to be engrossed; and

Delivered the annual report of the trustees of the Franklin academy in Baltimore county, endorsed "referred to the consideration of the house of delegates;"

Which was read and referred to the committee on education.

Also, a letter from John McKenney, Esq., accepting of his appointment as a member of the Executive Council;

Which was read.

On motion of Mr. Eccleston,

The house took up for consideration the message submitted by him on the 21st inst., in relation to the appointment of a joint committee of seven members, four of this house and three of the Senate, to whom should be committed the several reports and bills on the subject of reform now before the legislature.

On motion of Mr. Ely,

The house was called, and the door keeper sent for the absent members.

On motion of Mr. Keen,

The house resolved to proceed with the ordinary business of the session during the absence of the door keeper.

The door keeper, having returned, reported that, in obedience to order he had notified the absent members that their attendance in the house was required.

The house then resumed the consideration of the message as submitted by Mr. Eccleston on 21st inst.

The chair having filled the blank in said message with the names of Messrs. Eccleston, Ford, Alexander and Crisfield,

Mr. Eccleston asked to be excused from serving on said committee;

On the question being put on excusing him, it was

Determined in the negative.

The said message was then read the second time, and the question put, will the house adopt the message?

Determined in the negative

The bill entitled, an act relating to limited partnerships in this State,

Was sent to the senate.

The clerk of the Senate returned the bill entitled, an act supplemental to an act, entitled, an act for the relief of the heirs of Jane White, late of the city of Baltimore, endorsed, "will pass," ordered to be engrossed,