

again, the city of Georgetown and the adjacent county west of Rock creek, before the Congress of the United States have approved of the proposed retrocession.

Resolved, That as important questions are involved in the proposed retrocession, affecting the Union at large, and the commerce, manufactures and internal improvements of this State, and the Legislature has resolved to adjourn within forty-eight hours, the remaining period of the session is scarcely sufficient to mature legislation, which has been long pending, much less to deliberately investigate and determine a matter of such deep and general concern—therefore it is inexpedient precipitately to consider and determine the same.

Resolved, That the sense of the people of this State ought to be taken before the proposed retrocession is acceded to, and therefore, the present General Assembly should not assent thereto.

Pending the said several propositions,

On motion of Mr. Ricaud,

The Senate proceeded to the consideration of Executive business, and after being sometime engaged therein.

On motion of Mr. Tidball,

The Senate resumed the consideration of Legislative business.

On motion of Mr. Ricaud,

The Senate took a recess until 4 o'clock, P. M.

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#### FOUR O'CLOCK, P. M.

Present the same Senators as before the recess.

Mr. Tidball from the committee to which was referred the bill entitled, an act to authorise and empower commissioners to open and widen an alley in Westminster, in Carroll county, reported that the committee were of opinion it ought not to pass.

It was read the second, and by special order the third time, passed and returned to the house of delegates.

Mr. Tidball from the committee on judicial proceedings, to which was referred the petition of Benjamin Fowler, reported a bill entitled, an act to authorise the Register of the Land Office for the Western Shore, to issue a warrant for resurvey and patent in Allegany county,

Which was read the first and by special order the second time and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

It was accordingly engrossed, and,

On motion of Mr. Bruce,

Read the third time, by special order, passed, and sent to the house of delegates.