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On motion the executive communication of the 6th inst. was referred to the consideration of the house of delegates.
Mr. Carmichael presented the petition of Pen Ward, of Cecil county, praying leave to bring into this state a certain negro named Michael.
The clerk of the house of delegates delivers a resolution respecting the members and officers of the legislature, and electors of president and vice president of the United States, which was read.

Saturday, Dec. 9.

The clerk of the house of delegates delivers a bill to authorise the levy court of Dorchester county to levy a sum of money for the purposes therein mentioned, and a bill to settle and ascertain the salary of the members of the council for the ensuing year.
On motion, the executive communication, with sundry documents, of the 7th inst. was referred to the consideration of the house of delegates.

Monday, Dec. 11.

Roger B. Taney, Geo. W. Jackson, Richard W. West, Levin Gale, and Richard Carroll, esquires, appeared, qualified and took their seats.
Mr. Hughlett from the committee reported a bill, entitled, An act for the relief of Sarah Cahall of Caroline county.

The bill to authorise the erection of a warehouse in the village of Greensborough in Caroline county, was read the second, and by special order the third time, and will pass, sent to the house of delegates.
The clerk of the house of delegates delivers the bill to incorporate the trustees of McKim's school in the city of Baltimore, the bill to make valid the deed therein mentioned, and the bill for the revaluation of the real and personal property in Calvert county, which were read.

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On motion of Mr. West, Leave given to bring in a bill, entitled, An act to ascertain the true location of the public roads in Prince George's county.

Tuesday, Dec. 12.

Mr. Harper asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Carmichael from Wednesday 15th inst. for 10 days.
The clerk of the house of delegates delivers the following message.

Gentlemen of the Senate,
A vacancy having occurred in the office of Register of Wills for Anne Arundel county, during the recess of the legislature, and the duties of the person appointed by the executive having terminated with the meeting of the general assembly, we propose, with the concurrence of your honourable body, to proceed to make the appointment of Register of Wills for said county, this day at the hour of 1 o'clock. Thomas H. Hall and Lewis Gassaway are put in nomination by this house, and we have appointed Messrs. Marriott and Archer to join such gentlemen as may be named by you to count the ballots and report thereon.

Wednesday, Dec. 13.

Mr. Magruder asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Holliday for 10 days.
Mr. Emerson asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Hughlett from Sunday 17th inst. for 10 days.
Mr. Hughlett presented the petition of Joseph Richardson, clerk of Caroline county.

Mr. Gale from the committee of revision and unfinished business reported a bill, entitled, An act to amend and reduce into one system the laws to direct descents.
The following messages were received from the house of delegates:

Gentlemen of the Senate,
The term for which the honourable William Pinkney, one of the senators of the United States, was elected, will expire on the 4th March next. We propose, with the concurrence of your honourable body, to elect a senator of the United States on Tuesday next. We have fixed on this early day, because at this time the members of the legislature are all at the seat of government.

Thursday, Dec. 14.

Mr. Emerson asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. West after Thursday 21st inst. for a few days.
Mr. Jackson asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Carroll.

The clerk of the house of delegates delivers a bill authorising Samuel Stone, of Baltimore county, to erect and keep gates on the road therein mentioned, and a bill for the benefit of George Lash of Baltimore county.
The bill for the benefit of George Lash of Baltimore county, was read the second and third time by special order, passed, and sent to the house of delegates.

Friday, Dec. 15.

Mr. Jackson from the committee reported a bill, entitled, An act to alter and change the mode of appointment of overseers of public roads so far as relates to Somerset county which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.
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Also, a bill authorising John V. Price, late collector of the first collection district in Cecil county, to complete his collection; a bill authorising Henry E. Coalman to remove a certain negro slave from the state of Louisiana into this state for the use of Peregrine Ward 3d of Cecil county, and a supplement to the act incorporating the Commercial and Farmers Bank of Baltimore.
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Saturday, Dec. 16.

The bill to alter and change the mode of appointment of overseers of public roads so far as relates to Somerset county, was read the second and third time by special order and will pass.
The clerk of the house of delegates delivers a bill for the benefit of James Scott of Allegany county; a bill for the relief of Isaac Lyon, of Frederick county; a bill to authorise William Jordan, late collector of the sixth election district of Baltimore county, to complete his collection; a bill to authorise James H. Wathen, collector of St. Mary's county, to complete his collections; a bill for the relief of Wm. Hodgkiss, of Frederick county; a bill for the relief of David Waggerman of Washington county; and a supplement to the act for regulating the mode of staying executions, and for other purposes.
Adjourned.

Gentlemen of the Senate,
Yesterday a message was forwarded by this house to the honourable the senate, informing that we were prepared to proceed to the election of a Register of Wills for Anne Arundel county at half past one o'clock P. M. It was the ultimate design of this branch of the general assembly, to have gone into the election of Register of Wills for the several counties wherein vacancies had occurred during the recess, as speedily as possible, and have commenced this business, by requesting your body to go into the election for one of those counties on yesterday. The house of delegates continued in session until long after the hour appointed, and received no answer to the message which had been sent, which was on your part a tacit declension of the contemplated choice. It is with regret that we again call the attention of the senate to a subject of so much importance, but by the constitution of this state it is declared, "That there be a Register of Wills appointed for each county, who shall be commissioned by the governor on the joint recommendation of the senate and house of delegates, and that upon the death, resignation, disqualification, or removal out of the county, of any Register of Wills, in the recess of the general assembly, the governor, with the advice of the council, may appoint and commission a fit and proper person to such vacant office, to hold the same until the meeting of the general assembly." It is with regret that the house of delegates have discovered a disinclination on your part to proceed to a joint recommendation of some person to file the vacancy which has occurred in the office of Register of Wills for Anne Arundel county; under the powers vested in the executive by the constitution, appointments have been made, but the senate must be sensible that those appointments ceased with the meeting of the general assembly. Deeming this a subject of the most important concern to the good people of this state, we have thought it necessary to call your attention once more to it. The Register of Wills for Anne Arundel county is not only the keeper of the county records, but the conservator of the records of the late prerogative office, in which office are carefully preserved all the last wills and testaments down to the period of the revolution, with many other important papers and documents.— This then is not an appointment of mere locality, but of general interest and concern. In consequence of this appointment not being made, administration, testamentary, and guardians bonds, may be running out of date, and some important ejectment cause in some of the counties lost, or postponed for want of a will to complete the title. We know of no reason for its postponement; every member of each house is attending at the seat of government, and we hope that the senate will on reflection consent to a joint recommendation of some person to the governor to be commissioned as Register of Wills for Anne Arundel county. The house of delegates therefore propose to the senate, immediately to ballot for some person, to be jointly recommended to the governor to be commissioned as Register of Wills for Anne Arundel county.
We have appointed Messrs. Marriott and Archer to count the ballots; no person is named in addition to those put in nomination by this house on yesterday.
By order
John Brewer, clk.
Which was read.

Also a bill annulling the marriage of Thomas Knock and Margaret Knock, of Baltimore county, and a bill to enlarge the powers of the levy court for Baltimore county, in the cases therein mentioned.

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Mr. Hughlett from the committee reported a bill, entitled, An act for the benefit of Joseph Richardson clerk of Caroline county.
On motion of Mr. Jackson, Leave given to bring in a bill, entitled, An act to alter and change the mode of appointment of overseers of public roads, so far as relates to Somerset county.
The bill to make valid the deed therein mentioned was read the second, and by special order the third time, and will pass.
The bill authorising Samuel Stone of Baltimore county to erect and keep gates on the road therein mentioned was read the second and third time by special order and will pass, sent to the house of delegates.
The clerk of the house of delegates delivers the following message:
By the house of delegates December 14, 1820.
Gentlemen of the Senate,
A vacancy having occurred in the office of Register of Wills for Somerset county, during the recess of the legislature, and the duties of the person appointed by the executive having terminated with the meeting of the general assembly—we propose, with the concurrence of your honourable body, to proceed to make the appointment of register of wills for the said county tomorrow at 12 o'clock. James Polk is put in nomination by this house, and we have appointed Messrs. Hayward and Duvall to join such gentlemen as may be named by you to count the ballots and report thereon.
On motion of Mr. Maxcy, Ordered, That so much of the governor's message as relates to education and public instruction, be referred to a select committee, to consider and report thereon; and Messrs. Maxcy, Harper and Gale, be the said committee.
The bill for the benefit of Joseph Richardson, clerk of Caroline county court, was read the second and third time by special order and will pass. Sent to the house of delegates.
The bill authorising the sheriff of Caroline county to release from his custody and gaol James McCarty, jun. and for other purposes, was read the second and third time by special order, and will pass. Sent to the house of delegates.
The following message was sent to the house of delegates:
BY THE SENATE,
Dec. 14, 1820.
Gentlemen of the House of Delegates,
We have received your two messages on the subject of a joint recommendation to the governor, of a person to be appointed Register of Wills for Anne Arundel county.— In answer to which, we beg leave to inform you, that we are not ready to proceed to the recommendation in question: because we understand that there are other applicants for the office, who are not nominating in either of your messages, concerning whose qualifications we expect to receive full information before we determine upon a recommendation of a person to fill an office which you justly describe as very important to the good people of the state, an officer whose tenure is during good behaviour or for life.— We deem it proper, being of opinion that the senate are competent to decide for themselves the course which duty prescribes, duly to deliberate. Good may result from some delay, and we apprehend it can be productive of no inconvenience to the public; because, as we construe the provisions of the constitution, to which your last message, refers us, especially when taken in connection with the last part of the 49th article, it is the duty of the person appointed by the governor, with the advice of the council, in the recess of the general assembly, to continue to act until a person is commissioned by the governor upon a joint recommendation of the senate and house of delegates at their next meeting, and this we understand to have been the general, if not the universal practice.
In addition to the above circumstances, we beg leave to state, that at the time fixed in your message of the 12th inst. the senate at the instance of your honourable body, were engaged in balloting for the executive council, and the moment fixed by your message of the 13th inst. was the one when his excellency the governor elect was waiting the attendance of both branches of the legislature to take the oath of office agreeably to the constitution and laws of this state.
As soon as we are prepared to proceed on this business, according

to our sense of the constitution, and of our duty, we shall not fail to give notice thereof to your honourable house.
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Petitions.—From Elizabeth Saway, of Annapolis, praying permission to introduce slaves into the state. From Mary Wells, of the state of Annapolis. From sundry inhabitants of Somerset, that the rights of Wm. S. Handy, may be leased.
On motion of Mr. J. P. Kean, Leave to report a further amendment to the act to provide for administration of justice in case of crimes and misdemeanors in the and precincts of Baltimore.
Mr. Barney reports a bill to the United States the jurisdiction of the state of Maryland to certain lands on North Point, Bodkin Island, at the mouth of river Patapsco, and for other purposes.
On motion of Mr. Polk, Leave to report a bill for establishing titles and bounds of lands and other purposes.
The bill to enlarge the powers of Baltimore county levy court passed and sent to the senate concurrence.
Mr. King reports a bill to prevent the destruction of oysters on this state.
On motion of Mr. Snowden, Leave to report a bill to authorise Jordan, collector of the 6th district of Baltimore county, a further to complete his collections.

Thursday, Dec. 14.
Petitions from Henry Lord, David Waggaman, of Washington for special act of insolvency, for John Wapole, of Charles, for a petition. From Rebecca Covington, Benjamin L. C. Wales and Alexander Covington, for the sale of the real estate of Gen. Leonard Covington, deceased. From James Ridgway, of Talbot, that the terms made by the administrators James Clayland, late Sheriff, of proceedings had under certain directed to him be made valid. From Wm. Hodgkiss, of Frederick, for a special act of insolvency. From James Scott, of Allegany, for permission to introduce slaves into the state. From Henry H. Chapman, From Ann Hollydayoke, that grandchild, Jane Parish, may be reported by the county. From Alexander Prentiss, of the city of Baltimore, that the will of Levi Crossgrove may be made valid.
Mr. Frazier reports favourably the petition of Wm. Byus of Dorchester.
The house proceeded to the consideration of the report of the committee of elections, and after some debate and several propositions of minor importance in regard to election of Kent county, the following resolution was proposed by Boyle, and assented to:
Resolved, That Frederick Boyle, Richard S. Thomas, John B. Eccleston and James F. Brown, being turned as having the greatest number of votes, and there being no allegation of improper conduct or illegal votes, be and they are hereby considered as duly elected.
The other parts of the report were concurred with.
Mr. Bowles from the committee of claims delivers the following report:
By the Committee of Claims.—Your committee beg leave to report, that they have examined the accounts and proceedings of William Richardson, Treasurer of Eastern Shore of Maryland, and that it appears to your committee that he hath received from the first day of November, eighteen hundred and nineteen, to the first day of November, eighteen hundred and twenty, both days inclusive, for improvements on land, \$201.44; for marriage, ordinary, retailers, hawkers, and pedlers licenses, fines, forfeitures, amerciaments, and taxes in chancery, & interest, \$6,286.50.
The bill to authorise the levy court of Dorchester county to levy a sum of money for the purposes therein mentioned, was read the third time and will pass.
The bill to authorise James Wathen collector of St. Mary's county to complete his collection, was read the third time and will pass.
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The bill authorising John V. Price, late collector of the first collection district in Cecil county, to complete his collection, was read the third time and will not pass.
The bill annulling the marriage of Thomas Knock, and Margaret Knock of Baltimore county, was read the third time and will not pass.
Adjourned.

Friday, Dec. 15.
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Mr. Showers obtained leave to report a supplement to the act relative to justices of the peace and for other purposes, passed in 1814.
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services performed in the military of troops raised during the revolutionary war, amount received by each, residing.
Mr. Holbrook reports a supplement to the act relative to negroes, and to repeal a assembly therein mentioned.
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By order.
SAMUEL S. HOPKIN, Clk.

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The bill to enlarge the powers of Baltimore county levy court passed and sent to the senate concurrence.
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