And on motion by Mr. Lockerman, the question was put, that the blank be filled up with the words "three dollars" Determined in the negative. Yeas 17, nays 33.

On motion by Mr. J. P. Kennedy, the question was put, that the further consideration of the same be referred to the 1st day of June next? Yeas 37, nays 38.

On motion by Mr. Meconiken, the following order was read.

Ordered, That if any member of this house shall believe in his judgment and conscience, the per diem allowed him is more than his talents and services are worth, that he have permission to restore the surplus and apply the same to the school fund, for the benefit of the citizens, of this state and place the same in the Treasury of either shore.

On motion by Mr. J. P. Kennedy, the question was put, that the words "talents and" be stricken out? Resolved in the affirmative.

On motion by T. Kennedy, the question was put, that the same be referred to the next General Assembly? Determined in the negative.

On motion by Mr. Dalrymple, That the same be referred to the first day of June Resolved in the affirmative.

On motion by Mr Purviance, leave given to bring in a bill, entitled A further supplement to the act entitled, An act relating to Insolvent debtors in the city and county of Baltimore, Ordered, that Messrs. Purviance, J. P Kennedy and Worthington, report the same.

On motion by Mr. Purviance, leave given to bring in a bill entitled, A supplement to an act, taxing or licensing certain dealers in lottery tickets and others, Ordered That Messrs Purviance, T. Kennedy and Stansbury report the same.

Mr. Howard, delivers the following report

The committee to whom was referred the petition of Andrew Merceir, of Anne-Arundel county, and William Wagers, of Baltimore county, beg leave to report that they have taken the same into consideration and are of opinion, that inasmuch as there is already provision for them by law the prayer of the petitioners ought not to be granted

By order, J. Cockey, Jun. Clk.

Which was twice read and concurred with.

The clerk of the senate delivers the following message:

BY THE SENATE, Dec. 12, 1822.

Gentlemen of the House of Delegates,

The senate have found much difficulty in progressing with their ordinary business from a want of accurate information of the proceedings of your house Such want of information has in several instances occasioned an useless waste of time by engaging the attention of both branches of the legislature in originating measures precisely similar in their effect The senate therefore propose that a committee of conference be appointed to consist of three gentlemen from each branch to devise some measure which with despatch and economy, will put each branch in possession of the proceedings of the other.

By order, Wm. Kilty, Clk.

Which was read.

Mr. Estep, delivers the following report

The committee of claims in obedience to the order of the house have enquired into the expense of printing the journal daily for the use of both houses of the legislature and from the best information they can obtain on the subject the cost will not be less than $200 nor exceed $250 for 100 copies during a session of ordinary length, the committee cannot perceive the expediency of the measure, believing that the benefit to be derived from it, would not be equal to the expense.

By order, Saml. S Hodgkin, Clk.

Which was read.

On motion by Mr. Allen, the following message was read, assented to and sent to the senate.

BY THE SENATE, Dec. 12, 1822

Gentlemen of the Senate,

We have received your message of this day proposing a committee of conference, concur with the same, Messrs Estep, Purviance and Millard, are appointed on the part of this house to meet such gentlemen as are appointed by your honourable body.

By order, John Brewer, Clk.

The clerk of the senate delivers the resolution relative to the members and officers of the legislature, endorsed, "assented to"

On motion by Mr. Millard, the following message was read, assented to, and sent to the senate.

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, December 12, 1822

Gentlemen of the Senate,

We have appointed Messrs. Millard, Wootton, Maddox, Chauncey, Fisher and Slemaker, on the part of this house to meet such gentlemen as may be named by your honourable body, to form a committee of both houses for the purpose of comparing and examining all engrossed bills.

By order, John Brewer, Clk.

Mr. Spence reports a bill entitled, An act to authorise special courts of Oyer and Terminer, and for other purposes.

Which was read.

Mr Estep reports a bill entitled, An act to provide for the election of a vestry for St John's Church in Queen Caroline Parish which was twice read by special order, passed and sent to the senate.

The clerk of the senate delivers the following message:

BY THE SENATE, Dec. 12, 1822

Gentlemen of the House of Delegates,

The senate have appointed Messrs. Chambers, Miller and M'Kim, a committee to meet the committee appointed by your house, to confer upon the proposed mode to make public the proceedings of the legislature.

By order, Wm. Kilty, Clk.

Which was read.

On motion by Mr. Johnson, Leave given to bring in a bill entitled, A supplement to an act, entitled, An act to repeal all parts of the constitution and form of government, as relate to the division of Garrison more county, into seven separate districts, and for other purposes; Ordered That Messrs. Johnson, Worthington and Stansbury, report the same.

Mr. J P. Kennedy, presents a petition from Mary Holland, the widow of Richard Holland, a revolutionary soldier; read and referred to the committee on pensions and revolutionary claims.

Mr. T. Kennedy, presents a petition of Daniel Gelwick, of Washington county which was read and referred to Messrs. Kennedy, Keller and Drury.

The speaker laid before the house a communication from the agent for the Western shore.

Which was read.

Maryland Gazette.

Annapolis, Thursday, Dec. 19, 1822.

ANOTHER LARGE TURNIP.

December 14th, 1822.

Mr. Jonas Green.

Dear Sir—I saw published in your paper of the 12th instant, an account of a Turnip which grew upon the farm of Rezin Estep, Esquire, in a thin, sandy soil, and which weighed 16lbs. I now send you one raised by myself, on the same kind of soil, in South River Neck, which weighs SEVENTEEN AND A HALF POUNDS, and which was gathered in October.

Your's respectfully,

BENJA. HARWOOD, of Rd.

PS. I have from twenty to forty bushels which will weigh from 10 to 15 pounds each. B. H.

We received Mr. Harwood's Turnip and submitted it to the view of many gentlemen. We take this opportunity of inviting our agricultural friends, to favour us with descriptions of extraordinary vegetables which may be raised by them; likewsse statements of experiments which they may make in agriculture It will at all times afford us pleasure to give publicity to them.

The Honourable SAMUEL STEVENS, jun. on Monday last, qualified as governor of this state. The national flag was displayed upon the spire of the state house, and the customary discharge of artillery fired on the occasion.

NOTICE.

The Editor of the Maryland Republican in his paper of Tuesday last, took occasion to animadvert freely on the disposition which has been made by our state Legislature, of the printing of its Journals. In his remarks he alludes to us The allusion is couched in terms which have induced some readers to conclude, that at the time the Journals were directed to be printed, we were *in the employ*. Our duty to ourselves impels us publicly to declare, that at the period the two houses decided on having their Journals printed, we were NOT *under an engagement to work for Mr. Hughes*. This Mr. Hughes well knows. It is true we had worked a short time for him, but it is equally true, that we left his service the Wednesday *before* the decision above mentioned took place We will state the reason—Mr Hughes, declined giving the *customary wages*

WM. FOXCROFT,
THOS. R. LUSBY.

Annapolis, Dec. 19.

CONGRESS.

Friday the House of Representatives was engaged to a later hour than it is generally occupied, on the bill for the suppression of piracy—which bill, after much debate, was ordered to be engrossed, and was passed—It provides for the purchase or construction of a sufficient number of vessels in addition to those already employed, of such burthen as may be deemed necessary, the same to be manned and equipped for immediate use, for which the sum of one hundred and sixty thousand dollars are to be appropriated. The debate was long and of considerable interest, we shall in a future number notice it—A resolution was passed enquiring into the expediency of allowing the Post Master General to select the best route between Pensacola and St. Augustine.—A resolution was offered inquiring into the expediency of repealing an act passed April 26th, 1816, by which was allowed an additional compensation of fifty per cent. to the commissation of certain officers of the Customs therein named.—A resolution was offered by Mr. Jennings authorising the appropriation of a certain sum in Treasury notes for the purpose of extending the western road, which notes only were to be received here after in payment for public lands.

Metropolitan.

A SHORT STORY

TOLD BY MR. MATHEWS.

"My friend and myself, when in Devonshire, were visiting an acquaintance, who had a daughter not remarkable either for wit, beauty or accomplishments. She had passed the grand climacteric, and was certainly on the wane: but her heart had lost none of its susceptibility to LA GRAND PASSION. She had for ten years been conspicuous for her dress, airs and "beau catching," but alas! she had "toiled all night" at balls, routs and levees, but caught no beau. Being as vain as she was simple, we thought her fair game for a quiz. Miss Lucretia Tyrum, said I, have you heard of the late act of parliament by which all ladies with LARGE MOUTHS shall be allowed two husbands? No sir, said she, (SCREWING HER MOUTH INTO A PUCKER) what a curis law!" You are wrong Ed—d, said my friend to me, those ladies with LARGE MOUTHS are to be allowed two husbands. "LAW ME!" exclaimed she, (opening her mouth as BIG AS A BUCKET,) what a curis law!"

By the schooner Colonel Ramsay, Capt. Howard, arrived at Charleston on the 10th in 18 days from Matanza, it is reported that the recent captures and destructions of pirates, off the coast of Cuba, have had a salutary effect. Since the late lessons given to the Alligator and by the Speedwell, no acts of Piracy had been committed. It is repeated by the editor of the Charleston Courier, as a fact well known at Matanzas, that the British vessels of war Tyne, 44 guns, Commodore Warrington, Redwing, 18 guns, Cutter Grecian, 18 guns, equipped both for sea and service, have arrived at Havana, for express purpose, in conjunction with the naval force of the United States, of hunting these pirates from the bosom of the ocean.

American.

Letters received in Washington city from Africa, announce the severe illness of Mr. Ashmun at Cape Messurado, and the death of Mrs. Ashmun, on the 15th of last.

PAUPERS.

There are now about FOURTEEN HUNDRED persons in the Philadelphia Almshouse. A proposal to introduce the Distillery into that establishment, is said to be under consideration.

LEGISLATURE OF MARYLAND.

Abstract of the Proceedings of the House of Delegates.

Friday, December 13, 1822.

Mr. Allen reports a bill, entitled, An act to alter and amend the constitution so that members of the senate may be hereafter elected immediately by the people; which was read.

On motion by Mr. Allen, Leave given to bring in a bill, entitled, An act to regulate Divorces. Ordered, That Messrs. Allen, Douglass and Shredine, report the same.

Mr. Dennis presents a petition from John C. Wilson, Junior, of Somerset county, praying he may be permitted to remove slaves into this state; read and referred to the committee appointed on petitions of a similar nature.

The committee appointed by the house of delegates to confer with the gentlemen named by the senate, beg leave to report—That they have had a conference on the subject, and recommend to the house that the proceedings shall be printed daily, in such manner that the votes and proceedings of each branch may be kept separately.

The committee ascertained that the printing can be done for sixty dollars the 100 pages, 106 copies, and estimating the amount of printing the proceedings of the last session, the gross amount of cost will not exceed 200 or 250 dollars.

By order,

SAML. S. HODGKIN, Clk.

Which was twice read by special order, and the question put, That the house concur with the same? Determined in the negative.

On motion by Mr. Teackle, Leave given to bring in a bill, entitled, An act to abolish imprisonment for debt, and for other purposes. Ordered, That Messrs. Teackle, Millard, A. Lee, Meconiken & Wright, report the same.

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

Resolved, That the resolution passed at December session 1821. No. 60, compelling practitioners of law in this state to take out licences until the decease of Luther Martin, be and the same is hereby rescinded.

Mr. Kilgour presents a petition from Thomas Pennyfield; read and referred to the committee on pensions and revolutionary claims

On motion by Mr. Millard, the following message was read:

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, December 13, 1822.

Gentlemen of the Senate,

The custom of adjournment having rendered it impracticable to keep a house during the Christmass holidays, and that being a season devoted to the observance of religious duties, and the interchange of social feelings, we therefore propose, with the concurrence of your honourable body, to adjourn on the day of until

On motion by Mr. Norris, the question was put. That the same have a second reading? Determined in the negative.

Mr. Rogerson presents a petition from Mathias Clements, of Charles county, praying for support; read and referred to Messrs. Rogerson, Edelen and Garner.

Mr. Hooper presents a petition from Thomas C. Smith, of Dorchester county, praying for a special act of insolvency; read and referred to Messrs. Hooper, Willis and Steele.

On motion by Mr. John P. Kennedy, the question was put, That all that part of the order relating to the navigation of the rivers Susquehanna and Potomac be stricken out; for the purpose of inserting the following: "As to all such parts of the said message as relate to internal improvement, a committee to consist of seven?" Resolved in the affirmative.

The order was then assented to as amended.

The clerk of the senate delivers the following message:

BY THE SENATE, Dec. 13th, 1822.

Gentlemen of the House of Delegates,

The senate have received the report of the committee of conference, who were directed to devise proper means to cause the proceedings of the legislature to be published daily, and have concurred therewith. The senate are of opinion, that the plan suggested by the committee will be productive of mutual advantage, to an extent which will amply remunerate the state for the estimated cost, and therefore will be gratified to learn that you accord with us in opinion.

By order, WM. KILTY, Clk.

On motion by Mr. Kilgour, the question was put, That the house reconsider the report of the joint committee relative to printing the journal daily? Resolved in the affirmative.

The report was then concurred with.

Mr. John P. Kennedy reports a bill, entitled, An act to repeal certain parts of the act entitled, An act, entitled, A supplement to the act laying duties on licences to retailers of dry goods, and for other purposes, passed at December session 1821, chapter 246; which was read.

Saturday, December 14.

Mr. Purviance presents a petition from Margaret Hamilton, widow of captain John Hamilton; read and referred to the committee on pensions and revolutionary claims.

Mr. Franklin presents a petition from Whittington Steele, praying for support; read and referred to Messrs. Franklin, Spence and Slemaker.

Mr. Thomas presents a petition from the Westminster, Taney Town, and Emmitsburgh turnpike road company, praying they may continue a toll gate at Monocacy; read and referred to Messrs. Thomas, Farquhar and Fisher.

Mr. Farquhar presents a petition from John Gibbony, of Frederick county, praying for a special act of insolvency; read and referred to Messrs. Farquhar, Thomas and H. Kemp.

Mr. John P. Kennedy presents a petition from Catherine Jeyd, praying for a divorce; read and referred to Messrs. John P. Kennedy, Purviance and Hughes.

On motion by Mr. Millard, the following resolution was read.

Resolved, That a committee of twelve, five to be appointed on the part of the senate, to be appointed by that honourable body, and seven on the part of the house of delegates be appointed by the speaker, to visit and inspect the penitentiary during the recess of the legislature, and that they be requested to report to the general assembly of Maryland the situation of the said institution.

Mr. Purviance presents a memorial of the president and directors of the Union Bank of Maryland, praying to be exempt from the payment of a tax to raise a school fund; read and referred to Messrs. Purviance, Steel, Stonestreet, Thomas and John P. Kennedy.

Mr. John P. Kennedy presents a petition from Mary Richards, of the city of Baltimore, widow of Paul Richards, a revolutionary soldier.

Mr. Carroll presents a petition from Catharine Plain, a soldier's widow; which were read and referred to the committee on pensions and revolutionary claims.

Mr. Millard presents a petition from sundry inhabitants of Saint-Mary's county, praying that the rates of taverns may be increased; read and referred to Messrs. Millard, Stonestreet, Stone, Semmes and Edelen.

Mr. Purviance presents a petition from John Tessier, of the city of Baltimore, praying the confirmation of his title to lands purchased by him from Francis Charles Nagot, Peter Bernard Clery, and John Baptist Cathelin, read and referred to Messrs. Purviance, John P. Kennedy and T. Kennedy.

Mr. Wright presents a petition from Nathan Betton, late sheriff of Queen-Annes county, praying further time to complete his collection; read and referred to Messrs. Wright Meconiken and Lockerman

Monday, December 16, 1822.

Mr. Semmes presents a petition from Rebecca Belt and Edward Belt, of Prince-George's county, praying for the sale of the real estate of Tobias Belt, deceased; read and referred to Messrs. Semmes, Culver and Wootton.

The speaker laid before the house a communication from the treasurer of the western shore, in compliance with the order of this house of the 13th instant; read and referred to the committee of ways and means.

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

Whereas, General Washington resigned to the congress of the United States, assembled in the senate chamber of the state of Maryland, that commission, under which he so gloriously and so successfully contended for the liberties of this country; and the members of the present legislature, anxious to testify their veneration for his character, and particularly their gratitude for this most distinguished event, do Resolve, That the governor be requested to procure, for the purpose of placing it in the senate chamber of this state, upon the very spot whereon he stood, a marble statue of General Washington, in the attitude of delivering his commission to the President of Congress.

And be it resolved, That a sum of money not exceeding five thousand dollars, be and the same is hereby appropriated to carry into effect the aforegoing resolution.

Mr. Allen presents a petition from Elizabeth Shaw; praying for a divorce; which was read and referred to Messrs. Allen, Whitelord and Norris.

The clerk of the senate delivers a bill, entitled, An act to settle and ascertain the divisional line between Anne-Arundel and Calvert counties, endorsed, "will pass:" which was read and ordered to be printed.

Mr. Douglass presents a petition from William and Elisha Triste, praying their names may be changed; read and referred to Messrs. Douglass, Casson and Salisbury.

Mr. Chambers and Mr. Dickinson from the senate, informs the speaker that the governor elect is attending in the senate chamber, where the senate request his attendance, with the members of the house of delegates, to see the governor qualify.

The speaker left the chair, and attended by the members of this house, went to the senate chamber, where his excellency qualified in the presence of both houses, by subscribing a declaration of his belief in the Christian Religion, by taking the several oaths required by the constitution and form of government, the oath of office directed by the act of assembly, and by taking the oath to support the constitution of the United States.

The speaker, attended by the members of this house, returned and resumed the chair.

Tuesday, Dec. 17.

Mr. Orrick presents a petition from Hezekiah Price and wife, and Garrett G. Worthington and wife, praying that certain deeds and conveyances may be made null and void; read and referred to Messrs. Orrick, Worthington and J. P. Kennedy.

On motion by Mr. J. P. Kennedy, Ordered, That the bill to alter and amend the constitution which relates to the election of two delegates from the city of Baltimore have a second reading on the 14th January next.

Mr. Culver presents a petition from Charles Waters, of Prince-George's county, praying for support; read and referred to Messrs. Culver, Wootton and Semmes.

On motion by Mr. Johnson, Leave given to bring in a bill, entitled, An additional supplement to an act to provide for the organization and regulation of the courts of common law in this state, and for the administration of justice therein. Ordered, that Messrs Johnson, J. P. Kennedy and Loockerman, report the same.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.

A CHALLENGE

A Virginian proposes a wager of five hundred dollars, that he will exhibit at the Maryland Cattle Show, which may be held near Baltimore in the year 1824, a native Bullock of Virginia, of greater nett weight than any that can be exhibited at the same time and place, by any New-Yorker, whose Bullock shall be a native of that State. The address of the Virginian is left with J. S. Skinner, Esq. Editor of the American Farmer, Baltimore, through whom the preliminaries may be adjusted, should this offer be accepted at any time previous to the first day of March next.

[It is worth remark that every facility is in this case offered to New York, over Virginia, in having water carriage the whole distance to Baltimore; whereas the Virginia Bullock must travel by land.]—Editors.

Among the Documents communicated to Congress are the letters between the commanders of our cruizing vessels in the West Indies and the Spanish authorities. Governor Mahy, of Cuba, in his answer to Captain Biddle, holds very positive language on a material point. "With respect to the permission you solicit, for landing upon this coast with troops and people in boats, for the purpose of pursuing the Pirates,—I cannot and must not consent to it."

Public Sale.

The subscriber will offer for sale on Thursday the 2d day of January, a part of her personal property, consisting of horses, cattle, a crop of Tobacco hanging in the house, a gig and harness, farming utensils &c. Terms of sale, for all sums of twenty dollars and upwards, a credit of six months will be given, by the purchaser giving note with good security, and for all sums under twenty dollars the cash must be paid. Sale to commence at 11 o'clock.

Deborah Duncan.

Dec. 19. tv.

Sugar in Loaves at 12½ CENTS PER POUND.

CARPETING, Glass & Queen's Ware, *Hardware, Groceries, Brushes and Combs, Shoes, Boots, Soap & Candles, Dry Goods,*

Just received from Auction, a large supply of the above articles, which will be added to his former extensive assortment, and by the next Packet, a further supply of Glass and Queen's Ware, and superior

Rob Roy Plaid Cloaks,

And as the prices of all articles will be lowered from the late sale, I shall sell for cash exclusively.

Orders from the City or Country, enclosing the cash, will be promptly filled, and as cheap or cheaper than could be had in Baltimore.

Fredk. Shaffer Littig.

Dec 17. 3w.

Benjamin Mead,

Again takes this method of acquainting the public, that he still continues to carry on the Clock and Watch Repairing business, at his old stand in West street extended, where work of every description in his line will meet with the greatest care and attention as to the correct performance of all such work as may be left with him. Chronometers, Repeating Watches, Duplex Scopement or Ruby Cylinders, Horizontal and Repeating Watches, Patent Levers, Alarm Watches, Independent Seconds, Perpetual Winders, Striking Watches, Plain Seconds from centre All of which described watches, with a variety of others, too tedious to mention, will be carefully repaired, and correctly adjusted. He has on hand a good assortment of watch glasses, best quality dials, buttons and case springs. He is thankful for past favours, and hopes to receive a renewal of the same.

Dec. 19. 6w.

Sheriff's Sales.

By virtue of two writs of fi. fa. one issued out of the Court of Appeals, and the other out of Anne Arundel county court, and to me directed, will be exposed to public sale, on Friday the 10th day of January next, at Mr. James Hunter's Tavern in the city of Annapolis, for cash, at 12 o'clock, A. M. THREE HUNDRED AND FORTY ACRES OF LAND, called "Portland Manor," and sundry valuable Negroes, consisting of men and women. Seized and taken as the property of John Weekes, Henry Darnall use of Joseph Daley, use of Nicholas J. Watkins & Nicholas Brewer, survivor, of John Gibson, use of Seth Sweetser.

Dec. 19. *Wm. O'Hara, Shff.*

By virtue of a writ of Fieri Facias issued out of the Court of Appeals, and to me directed, will be exposed to public sale, on Friday the 10th day of January next, at Mr. Thos B. D. Merreweather's, for cash, one Negro Girl named Ann, one Negro boy named John, one Negro woman named Milly, and Negro man named Sam. Seized and taken as the property of the said Thos. B D. Merreweather, at the suit of Samuel Banks, for the use of Nichs. Snowden. Sale to commence at 12 o'clock A. M.

Wm. O'Hara, Shff.

Dec. 19.

Notice is hereby Given,

That the subscriber has obtained from the orphans court of Anne-Arundel county, letters of administration on the personal estate of Tobias Reynolds, late of Anne-Arundel county, deceased. All persons having claims against the said estate, are requested to present them, properly authenticated, and those indebted are requested to make immediate payment.

LEWIS REYNOLDS. Admr.

Dec. 17. 3w*

New & Cheap Goods.

Bryan & Anderson,

Have received a handsome supply of SEASONABLE

GOODS,

Among which are Cloths, Cassimeres, Bazes, Flannels, Linseys Plain Blankets, Bombazetts, Worsted Hosiery, Teas, Coffee, Sugars, Wines, Gin, Cognac Brandy, Old Rye Whiskey, &c. They have also received, and intend keeping, a supply of

Soap & Candles,

all of which they will sell low for cash.

Dec. 12. 6w.

Sale at Auction.

On Monday the 30th instant, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

Will be offered for sale at Mr. Carroll's farm near this city, the following articles, viz: 128bbls. Corn, one Fodder House and Husks, Five Stacks Blades, one do. Rye, two Ox Carts, One Yoke of Oxen, two Cows, and one Mare, one Wheat Fan, one Cider Mill, iron-bound trough, press, &c. together with Ploughs, Harrows, and other Farming Utensils, and sundry pieces of Household Furniture

The terms are cash for all sums below twenty dollars, and six months credit for purchases to the amount of twenty dollars and upwards, the purchaser giving note with approved security, and carrying interest from the day of sale.

Rezin Spurrier, Auctioneer.

Dec. 12. tf.