On motion by Mr. Teackle, the question was put, that the second blank be filled up with the words "the 30th instant?" Determined in the negative.

On motion by Mr. Millard, the question was put, on the 28th inst. Determined in the nega-

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On motion by Mr. Purviance, the question was put on the 27th instant. The yeas and nays being required, appeared as follow:

AFFIRMATIVE. Messrs. Millard, G. Leigh, Maddox, Cannell, Linthicum, Weems, Smith, Skinner, Stonestreet, Edelen, Rogerson, Garner, Orrick, Johnson, Martin, Teackle, Willis, Craigg, Carroll, Hughes, Pratt, H Kemp, Farquhar, Fisher, Chauncey, Allen, Whiteford, Boon, Casson, Saulsbury, J. P. Kennedy, Purviance, Drury, Keller, Kilgour, Elisha Williams, A. Lee.—37.

Messrs. Speaker, Stone, Ireland, Massey, Estep, Howard, Dalrymple, Stansbury, Worthington, Loockerman, Lloyd, T. Kemp, Jones, Dennis, Steele, Sheredine, Parker, Gerry, Wootton, Meconiken, Wright, Riley, Spence, Franklin, Thomas, Norris, Douglass, T. Kennedy, Greenwell, Hoffman, Tomlinson.—31. Resolved in the affirmative.

On motion by Mr. Norris, the question was put, that the same be referred to the next general assembly? The yeas and nays being required, appeared as follow:

AFFIRMATIVE.—Messrs. Speaker, Stone, Maddox, Ireland, Massey, Estep, Smith, Stansbury, Orrick, Worthington, Loockerman, Lloyd, Martin, T. Kemp, Jones, Dennis, Steele, Willis, Sheredine, Parker, Gerry, Carroll, Hughes, Slemaker, Riley, Spence, Franklin, H. Kemp, Thomas, Norris, Chauncey, Allen, Boon, Douglass, T. Kennedy, Greenwell, Hoffman, Tomlinson—38

NEGATIVE.—Messrs. Millard, G. Leigh, Cannell, Linthicum, Howard, Dalrymple, Weems, Skinner, Stonestreet, Edelen, Rogerson, Garner, Johnson, Teackle, Craigg, Meconiken, Wright, Pratt, Farquhar, Fisher, Whiteford, Casson, Saulsbury, J. P. Kennedy, Purviance, Drury, Keller, Kilgour, Elisha Williams, A. Lee,—30. Resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Meconiken reports a bill entitled, A further supplement to an act entitled, An act for the distribution of a certain fund for the nurmous of establishing free schools in the several counties.

distribution of a certain fund for the purpose of establishing free schools in the several counties therein named; and Mr. Thomas reports a bill entitled, An additional supplement to an act entitled, An act to incorporate a company to make a turnpike road from the turnpike near Westminster to Taney Town, thence with themain street through Emmitsburg to Troup's tavern; which were read.

On motion by Mr. Teackle, Ordered, that the bill relative to the election of the senate by

the people, have a second reading on the 13th of January next.

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, Steele, Stonestreet, Thomas and J. P. Kennedy.

On motion by Mr. J. P. Kennedy, the following message was read: BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, December 14, 1822,

Gentlemen of the Senate.—The ancient custom of our state having devoted the Christmas season to the interchange of social feeling and domestic enjoyment, and it being usual at that time to give a short recess to the legislature, which has always been regarded by the people as a customary indulgence to their representatives; and believing it to be productive of convenience to the public, by enabling us to meet our constituents, and confer with them upon subjects interesting to their welfare; and moreover, experience having shewn it is almost impossible to detain a quorum at the seat of government for the few days of that season. We believe that an adjournment would even tend to save expense to the people, by preventing fruitless attempts to collect a house for business, and also restraining the passage of laws without a full assembly. We therefore respectfully propose an adjournment from the 23rd instant to the 30th, and submit the same for your concurrence.

On motion by Mr. T. Kennedy, the same was referred to the first day of June.

Mr. J. 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 soldiers widow; which were read and referred to the committee on pensions and revolutionary electrons. lutionary claims,

On motion by Mr. Pratt, the following order was read:

Ordered, That no member or officer of this house shall receive on Christmas day their per diem, and the same to be left in the treasury for the education of the poor.

On motion by Mr. Steele, the same was referred to the 1st day of June next.

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 Edelin.

Mr. Pu:viance 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, J. P. Kennedy, and T. Kennedy.

The supplement to an act entitled. An act to repeal all such parts of the constitution and form of government as relate to the division of Baltimore county into seven separate election

districts, and for other purposes, was read the second time and passed.

Mr. J. P. Kennedy reports a bill entitled, An act for the relief of Catharine Jeyd, late of the city of Baltimore; which was read,