

reference to our statute books; they are therefore of opinion, that it is unnecessary at this time to adopt any measures for the publication of the constitution with the amendments thereto.

The clerk of the senate delivers the following resolution:

BY THE SENATE, Feb. 14, 1824.

Resolved, That the clerks of the courts of appeals, the register in chancery, the clerks of the several county courts, the clerk of Baltimore city court, and the registers of wills of the several counties in this state, be and they are hereby required to report on oath to the general assembly, at its next session what has been the annual amount of the fees of their respective offices for the last five years, what the amount of such fees actually received by them in each of the said five years, what the annual amount of the expences of their said offices, during the same period, and whether such expences could without public inconvenience have been diminished.

By order,

WM. KILTY, Clk.

The resolution in favor of Colin M'Kenzie, endorsed, "assented to." And the bill for the relief of Christopher Raden, endorsed, "will pass," ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Johnson reports a bill entitled, a further supplement to an act entitled, an act to regulate and discipline the militia of this state.

Mr. M'Henry reports a bill entitled, an act for the valuation of real and personal property in the several counties of this state, and Mr. Gerry reports a bill entitled, an act to disseminate literature in this state.

Mr. Millard delivers the following report.

The committee appointed to report upon insolvent petition have had the case of Elias H. Harding of Frederick county under consideration, and beg leave to report, that in consequence of not being furnished by the said Harding with the dates of certain mortgages made by him, and the names of mortgages, to whom it might be alledged he gave an undue preference, are precluded from presenting a special act in his favor even if upon a full view of all the papers they should so determine.

By order,

J. COKEY, Jr. Clk.

Which was concurred with.

Mr. Whiteford reports a bill entitled, an act relating to salted fish brought to the city of Baltimore, and Mr. Garner reports a bill entitled, an act for the relief of James W. Reeves, of Charles county.

The bill to repeal part of the act of assembly therein mentioned, was read the second time, and rejected unanimously.

The house adjourns until Monday morning, 9 o'clock.

MONDAY, February 16, 1824.

The house met: Present the same members as on Saturday. The proceedings of Saturday were read.

Mr. W. G. D. Worthington presents a memorial from William Patterson and others, against the passage of the bill for establishing state ware houses for tobacco; which was read.

Mr. Merrick presents a petition from William B. Hammer, of Washington county, praying for a divorce; referred to the committee on that subject.

The message relative to electing bank directors, was read the second time, assented to, and sent to the senate.

Mr. W. Stewart presents a petition from the Deptford Fire Engine Company, of Baltimore praying for a lottery to purchase a suction engine; referred to Messrs Stewart, Merrick and W. G. D. Worthington.

Mr. Meconiken presents a petition from Winbert Tschudy and Ann Rochester, praying that the said Ann may be authorised to exchange as executrix of Daniel Rochester, a piece of land with the said Tschudy; referred to Messrs Meconiken, Hopper and Moffett.

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

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, February 16, 1824.

Gentlemen of the Senate—We propose with your concurrence, to invite his excellency the governor into the senate chamber on Wednesday next at 5 o'clock, P. M. to sign such of the engrossed bills as may then be prepared for his signature. We have named Messrs W. Duvall and Riley, to join such gentlemen as may be named by you to request his attendance.

By order,

JOHN BREWER, Clk.

On motion by Mr. Beon, the question was put, that the bill taxing pleasure carriages, be referred to the next general assembly.

The yeas and nays being required appeared as follow:

AFFIRMATIVE.—Messrs. Ireland, Coburn, Hodges, Chesley, Garner, Loockerman, Lloyd, Martin, Dennis Dashiell, Hutson, Henderson, Bryan, Hughes, Hopper, Meconiken, Moffett, Nicholson, Slemaker, Riley, Turbutt, Steel, Elijah Barwick, Douglas, Boon, Edward Barwick—24.

NEGATIVE.—Messrs. Speaker, Millard, Dorsey, Linthecum, C. R. Stewart, Iglehart, Skinner, Weems, J. T. H. Worthington, Johnson, Ely, Spencer, Gerry, Kerr, Wootton, Fisher, Whiteford, Sewell, Norris, W. Stewart, Gabby, Bowles, Merrick, Peter, Williams, W. Duvall, Sprigg, McMahon, McHenry—29.

Determined in the negative.

The house proceeded to the second reading of the said bill. Mr. Nicholson moved to strike out the first section, when Mr. Turbutt moved to refer the bill to the first day of June next.

Determined in the negative.

The question was then put on striking out. Determined in the negative.

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