

## BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES.

Gentlemen of the Senate,

We have also received the report, in part, of the joint committee of arrangement for the reception of General LaFayette, and have concurred therewith.

By order,

JOHN BREWER, Clk.

Mr. Beall presents a petition from Eliza Strode, of Montgomery county, praying that she may be enabled to hold certain negroes; referred to Messrs. Beall, Lee and Lansdale.

Mr. Millard reports a bill annulling the marriage of William L. Stewart, and Elizabeth his wife, of the city of Baltimore.

On motion by Mr. M. Mahon the following message was read:

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, Dec. 16, 1824.

Gentlemen of the Senate,

We have received your message proposing a recess from the 24th inst. to the 3d January next, and beg leave to express our concurrence therewith

Mr. Dalrymple moved the following as a substitute:

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, Dec. 16, 1824.

Gentlemen of the Senate,

We have received your message proposing a recess from Friday 24th instant until Monday the 3d Jany. to which we cannot assent; but propose, with your concurrence, to adjourn from Friday 24th inst. until Thursday the 30th.

Determined in the negative.

Mr. Carroll moved the following as a substitute.

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, Dec. 16, 1824.

Gentlemen of the Senate,

We have received your message proposing a recess from Friday the 24th inst. to Monday the 3d of Jany. and cannot assent to it.

Mr. Peach moved the following as a substitute for Mr. Carroll's message.

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, Dec. 16, 1824.

Gentlemen of the Senate,

We have received your message proposing a recess from Friday the 24th inst. until Monday the 3d Jany. from which we have dissented. This house have determined to have no recess.

And the question put, That the house assent to the same?

Determined in the negative.

Mr. Merrick moved to strike out the word "cannot" in Mr. Carroll's message? Resolved in the affirmative

The question was then put on the message proposed by Mr. Carroll, as amended? Determined in the negative.

Mr. Duvall moved the following message:

Gentlemen of the Senate,

We have received your message proposing a recess, and beg leave to propose a conference by a joint committee on that subject, and have named Messrs. Duvall, John Edelen and Wilson, a committee on the part of this house.

And the question was put, That the house assent to the same? Resolved in the affirmative.

The house adjourns until to morrow morning 9 o'clock.

## FRIDAY. December 17, 1824.

The house met. Present the same members as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read. John N. Steele, Esq. a delegate returned from Dorchester county, appeared, qualified and took his seat.

Mr. Wootton appeared in the house.

Mr. Merrick obtained leave to bring in a bill, entitled, An act to alter and amend the constitution of Maryland so as to allow the city of Baltimore a representation in the house of delegates equal to that of the several counties in this state. Ordered, That Messrs. Merrick, Howard, Tyson, M. Mahon, Tingle, Spencer and M. Clean, report the same

On motion by Mr. Jarrett, Ordered, That all lottery bills be referred to the 2d Monday in January.

Ordered, That the bills to change the time of the meeting of the general assembly, have a second reading on the 17th January.

On motion by Mr. Merrick, Ordered, That the bill continuing expiring laws, have a second reading on the 3d Monday of January, 1825.

On motion by Mr. Lee, the following message was read.

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, December 17, 1824.

Gentlemen of the Senate,

The serious injuries sustained on the part of the citizens of this state from the encouragement given to absconding negroes, by a portion of the citizens of Pennsylvania, in despite of the remonstrances repeatedly made through the executive branch of our government, and those of the committee appointed by the legislature, do in our opinion require, that we should again, and in a more impressive manner, call the attention of our sister state to the enactment of more rigorous, and we hope more successful regulations on their part, to effect justice to our fellow citizens. To this end we propose, that a joint committee consisting of members of each house, shall proceed to the seat of government of Pennsylvania, there to secure as far as practicable, by legislative provisions, a protection of the persons as well as the property of our fellow citizens.

Mr. Kemp obtained leave to bring in a bill, entitled, An act to raise a sum of money by lottery to defray the expense in part, of building the German Reformed Church in Middletown, Frederick county. Ordered, That Messrs. Kemp, Barnes and Cromwell, report the same.