

the time of the meeting of the general assembly of this state and for other purposes, was read the second time, passed, and returned to the senate.

Mr Worthington obtained leave to withdraw a bill reported by him on the same subject

Ordered, That the bill for the benefit of Judge Chase, and the bill respecting writs of error, and giving appeals in certain cases, have a second reading on Thursday next.

The resolution relative to a library, was read the second time.

Mr Teackle moved that the words "and be responsible for," be inserted after the words "take charge of?" Determined in the negative.

The question was put, That the house assent to the same? Determined in the negative.

The speaker laid before the house a communication from the state's agent for the western shore, relative to a debt due from Baltimore county to the state; read and referred to Messrs. Worthington, Barnes, Shower Farquhar, Howard, Cromwell and Turner.

Mr. Beall obtained leave to bring in a bill, entitled, An act to alter and change the constitution as it regards the time of holding elections in this state. Ordered, That Messrs. Beall, Henderson, Jarrett, Barnes, Eccleston, Dennis and John Edelen, report the same.

The amendments to the bill to incorporate the village of Port Deposit, were read the second time, assented to, and the bill ordered to be engrossed.

The bill to repeal an act passed at December session, 1823, chapter 15, relating to the protection of slave holders in Dorchester county, was read the second time by special order, passed, and sent to the senate.

On motion by Mr Barnes, the following message was read:

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, Jan. 17, 1825.

Gentlemen of the Senate,

Believing that the public interests require the adjournment of the legislature, at as early a day as practicable, and that the public business can be disposed of by the 12th day of February next, we respectfully propose to your honourable body to close the session on that day.

Mr Teackle moved the following as a substitute, and the question put thereon.

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, January 17, 1825.

Gentlemen of the Senate,

We propose with the concurrence of your honourable body, to appoint a joint committee, to inquire into the state of the public business, with a view to the adjournment of the legislature; and have appointed on the part of this house, Messrs. Teackle, King and Sullivan, to join such gentlemen as may be appointed by your honourable body.

Determined in the negative

Mr. Farquhar moved to strike out the word "12th," for the purpose of inserting 25th. A division was called for and put on striking out Resolved in the affirmative.

The question was then put on filling it up with the 25th Determined in the negative.

Mr Kemp moved the 20th? Determined in the negative

Mr Merrick moved the 22d inst? Determined in the negative.

On motion by Mr. Farquhar, the same was ordered to have a second reading on the 1st of February.

Mr. Maxcy delivers the following report:

The committee of ways and means, to whom was referred an order to inquire into the expediency of reducing the number of lottery commissioners from three to one, have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report, That they deem it inexpedient to reduce the number of said commissioners.

By order,

TRUEMAN CROSS, CLK.

Which was twice read.

On motion by Mr Barnes, the question was put, That the letters "in" be stricken from the word "inexpedient?" Determined in the negative.

The report was then concurred with.

Mr Millard reports a bill, entitled, An act for the relief of Sophia Pitt, of Dorchester county.

The resolution in favour of Davis Richardson, was read the second time and assented to.

Mr Tyson obtained leave to bring in a bill, entitled, "An act supplementary to an act, entitled, A supplement to the act, entitled, An act incorporating into one the several acts relating to constables fees. Ordered, That Messrs Tyson, Howard, Steele, Ireland and Merrick, report the same.

On motion, the question was put, That Messrs Merrick, M'Mahon and Beall, have leave to withdraw from the committee relative to the amelioration of the pecuniary situation of the people? Determined in the negative

The clerk of the senate returns the supplement to the act, entitled, An act to incorporate the Belona Gunpowder Company of Maryland, endorsed "will pass with the proposed amendment;" which amendment was assented to, and the bill ordered to be engrossed. And delivers a communication from the executive, relative to the purchase of a lot in Baltimore to build a tobacco warehouse thereon; referred to the committee on the petition from Frederick county relative to the inspection of tobacco.

The supplement to the act, entitled, An act to prescribe the time which jurors shall serve in Baltimore county court, was read the second time and will not pass.

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

TUESDAY, January 18, 1825.

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

The supplement to an act, entitled, An act to prescribe the time which jurors shall serve in Baltimore county court, and the resolution in favour of Davis Richardson, were sent to the senate.

The resolution in favour of Salisbury Academy, was read the second time, and the question put, That the house assent to the same? Determined in the negative.

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