

Mr. Lantz moved to strike out the word 'empire' to insert 'republic.' When on motion by Mr. Duvall the same was referred to Messrs Teackle, Duvall, Lantz, Maxcy and Williams.

On motion by Mr. Tyson. Leave given to bring in a bill, entitled, An act respecting the trial of equity causes in Baltimore county court. Ordered, That Messrs. Tyson, Howard and Worthington, report the same.

On motion by Mr. Barnes, the following resolution was read, assented to, and sent to the senate.

Resolved, That the governor and council be and they are hereby requested to ascertain what repairs are necessary to be made to the ordnance belonging to the state, now in the possession of the artillery company commanded by Capt. David Kemp, of Frederick county, and to cause such repairs, if any, to be made; and also to ascertain what expenses have already been incurred in repairing and refitting said ordnance; and to draw on the treasurer of the western shore for whatever sum may be required to pay such expenses, and cause such repairs to be made.

On motion by Mr. Worthington, Ordered, That all bills relating to the revenue of this state, have a preference over any other business of this house.

On motion by Mr. Teackle, Ordered, That the committee on applications on insolvency, be instructed to report at their earliest convenience on all cases of actual confinement in prison, in preference of all others.

Mr. Maxcy presents a petition from the representative of the late Ninian Pinkney, praying compensation for his services in collecting and arranging the documents relative to the claim of the state against the United States; referred to Messrs. Maxcy, Spencer and Carroll.

Mr. Tingle reports a bill, entitled, An act to provide for the support of the government of this state.

Mr. Duvall reports a bill, entitled, A supplement to an act, entitled, An act to establish state warehouses for the inspection of Tobacco in the city of Baltimore.

Mr. Steele reports a bill, entitled, An act to repeal an act, entitled, An act to tax certain officers.

Mr. Maxcy reports a bill, entitled, An act to provide for the prompt settlement of public accounts and collection of the public revenue.

Mr. Travers reports a bill, entitled, An act authorizing the recording of a deed from Robert Dennis to Edward Roggin.

Mr. Henderson reports a bill, entitled, An act for the benefit of Joseph Philips, of Cecil county.

The house proceeded to the second reading of the bill to alter and amend the constitution so as to allow to the city of Baltimore a representation equal to that of the several counties of this state.

On motion by Mr. McClean the question was put, That the same be referred to the 1st of June next? Determined in the negative.

Mr. Tyson moved to strike out the second clause, which abolishes that part of the constitution which gives to Annapolis a right to elect two delegates. The yeas and nays being required appeared as follows:

Affirmative—Speaker, Millard, Hodges, Gantt, Maxcy, Estep, Beckett, Farran, Dalrymple, J. Edelen, Chapman, Rogerson, Shower, Worthington, Price, Spencer, Lloyd, King, Thomas, Henderson, Ewing, R. C. Edelen, Wootton, Duvall, Carroll, Farquhar, Kemp, Hope, Montgomery, Barwick, Howard, Tyson, Lee, Lansdale, McMahon, Lantz, Kipstine, 34.

Negative—Hawkins, Gough, Kilgour, Harris, McClean, Ireland, Reyner, Dennis, Teackle, Jones, Eccleston, Travers, Nicholson, Wright, Williams, Fisher, Parker, Hooper, Barnes, Cromwell, Norris, Hardeastle, Brown, Boon, Bowles, Fouke, Merrick, Beall, Hoffman, 29. Resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Lansdale moves the following as the second section:

Be it enacted, That the free white male citizens of this state above twenty-one years of age, and no other, having resided twelve months within this state, and six months in the county next preceding the election at which they offer to vote, shall, on the first Monday of October in the year 1826, and on the first Monday of October in each and every year thereafter, assemble at the respective places of holding the election in their respective election districts of the several counties in this state, and when so assembled shall proceed to elect, by ballot, two delegates for their respective counties, of the most wise, sensible and discreet of the people resident of the county one whole year next preceding the election, above twenty one years of age, and upon the final casting of the polls the two persons who shall appear to have the greatest number of votes, shall be declared and returned duly elected for their respective counties.

When Mr. McClean moved to refer the whole to the 1st day of April? Determined in the negative.

The question was then put on the amendment proposed by Mr. Lansdale? The yeas and nays being required appeared as follows:

Affirmative—Hawkins, Gough, Kilgour, J. Edelen, Chapman, Rogerson, Reyner, Dennis, Teackle, King, Nicholson, Wright, Williams, Tingle, Parker, Hooper, Norris, Montgomery, Barwick, Bowles, Fouke, Beall, Lee, Lansdale, Hoffman, 25.

Negative—Speaker, Millard, Harris, McClean, Ireland, Hodges, Gantt, Maxcy, Estep, Beckett, Farran, Dalrymple, Shower, Worthington, Price, Spencer, Lloyd, Eccleston, Travers, Thomas, Henderson, Ewing, Grubb, R. C. Edelen, Wootton, Duvall, Carroll, Barnes, Cromwell, Kemp, Hope, Hardeastle, Brown, Boon, Howard, Tyson, Merrick, McMahon, Kipstine, 39. Determined in the negative.

On motion by Mr. Carroll, the question was put on striking out the 3d section, which makes Annapolis the 6th election district of Anne Arundel county? Resolved in the affirmative.

On motion by Mr. Norris, the question was put, That the house reconsider the bill so as to introduce the following preamble offered by Mr. Lee: 'Whereas it having been represented to the general assembly, that the business of Baltimore city requires an additional delegation to attend to, and secure the interests and perform the business of that city in the legislature.' Resolved in the affirmative.

The question was then put on the preamble? Resolved in the affirmative.

The question was then put, Shall the said bill pass? The yeas and nays being required, appeared as follows:

Affirmative—Mr. Speaker, Harris, Hodges, Gantt, Maxcy, Estep, Beckett, Dalrymple, Shower, Worthington, Price, Turner, Bennett, Spencer, Lloyd, King, Henderson, Ewing, R. C. Edelen, Wootton, Duvall, Barnes, Farquhar, Hope, Norris, Jarrett, Montgomery, Barwick, Boon, Howard, Tyson, White, Merrick, Lee, McMahon, Kipstine, 36.

Negative—Mr. Hawkins, Gough, Kilgour, Millard, McClean, Ireland, Parran, John Edelen, Chapman, Rogerson, Reyner, Dennis, Fisher, Jones, Sullivan, Eccleston, Travers, Thomas, Grubb, Carr, H. Nicholson, Wright, Williams, Tingle, Parker, Hooper, Cromwell, Kemp, Hardeastle, Brown, Bowles, Fouke, Beall, Lansdale, Hoffman, Lantz, 56. Determined in the negative.

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

THURSDAY, February 3, 1825.

The house met. Present the same members as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read. The clerk of the senate returns the bill to enable Thomas Humphreys, the guardian of Elizabeth Lea-