

Ordered, That the serjeant at arms be required to procure, for the use of each of the members of this house, such newspapers as they may respectively require, not exceeding the value of one daily paper for each member.

On motion by Mr. Maxcy, the following resolutions were read:

Resolved by the general assembly of Maryland, that for the purpose of electing the President and Vice President of the United States, the constitution ought to be so amended, that an uniform system of voting by districts shall be established in all the states; and that the people in those districts shall have the right of voting directly for those officers.

Resolved, That the constitution ought to be further amended in such a manner as will prevent the election of the aforesaid officers from devolving upon the respective houses of congress.

Resolved, That the senators and representatives of this state in congress, be requested to use their exertions for obtaining the amendments of the constitution, proposed in the foregoing resolutions.

Resolved, That the governor be requested to communicate a copy of these resolutions to each of the senators and representatives of this state in congress.

Ordered, That they have a second reading on Wednesday next.

On motion by Mr. Williams, the following resolution was read.

Whereas, the interest and dignity of the state of Maryland do not require that the costly establishment, commonly called "the government house," situate at the city of Annapolis, should any longer be set apart and kept up for the residence and accommodation of the governor for the time being, at the public charge; therefore, Be it resolved by the general assembly of Maryland, That the governor and council be, and they are hereby authorised and directed, to advertise and offer for sale, the house and lot, furniture, and all the appurtenances belonging to the said establishment commonly called "the government house," and to sell the same for the highest price that can be obtained therefor, not less than \$ for the whole property; and until such sale can be effected, to let the premises aforesaid for a term not to exceed one year from the last day of December 1825, and at a rate not less than \$ per annum.

Mr. Kennedy obtained leave to bring in a bill, entitled, An act to confirm an act passed at December session 1824, entitled, An act for the relief of the Jews in Maryland. Ordered, That Messrs. Kennedy, Farquhar, Beckett, Edelen and Eccleston, report the same.

Mr. Ridout presents a memorial from Theodorick Bland, esq. chancellor of Maryland, claiming the payment of his salary under the act of 1798, chapter 86; referred to Messrs. Ridout, Goldsborough, Kennedy, Tyson and Harris.

On motion by Mr. Sudler, the following message was read:

By the House of Delegates, Dec, 28, 1825.

Gentlemen of the Senate,

We propose, with your concurrence, to appoint a joint committee of three members to wait upon his excellency the governor, and inform him that the two houses are now organized and ready to receive any communication he may please to make.

On motion by Mr. Eccleston, the following was added thereto: "We have appointed, on the part of this house, Messrs. Sudler and Merrick, to join such committee as may be named by your honourable body."