

Mr. Sappington moved as a substitute for the motion, the following: Ordered, That George Brewer be called in to act as assistant clerk pro tempore. Which having been read, on motion by Mr. Speed, the question was put, That the further consideration of both the motion and substitute be postponed until Monday next. Determined in the negative.

Mr. Peach then moved to amend the order offered as a substitute for his motion, by striking out the name of George Brewer, for the purpose of inserting instead thereof, the name of Thomas Brice, and the question was accordingly put. Determined in the negative.

Mr. Edward Hughes also moved to amend the substitute proposed, by striking out, after the first word 'Ordered,' all that follows, and inserting in lieu thereof, the following: 'that Mr. George Brewer be appointed assistant clerk to this house, pro tempore, he having signified his willingness to discharge the duties of that office without receiving therefor any pecuniary compensation, in consideration of the peculiar relation in which his father now stands towards this house.'

And the question was accordingly put on the adoption of the amendment proposed. Resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Barnes then moved further to amend the substitute, by striking out all after the words 'in consideration of,' and inserting in lieu thereof the following: 'his father, (the chief clerk,) being prevented by temporary indisposition from discharging his duties.'

Which motion further to amend prevailed; and the original order proposed by Mr. Sappington as a substitute for the motion of Mr. Peach, so amended, was then received and adopted.

Whereupon Mr. George Brewer appeared, was duly qualified as required by the constitution and laws of this state, and entered on the duties of his office as assistant clerk of the house of delegates, pro tempore.

On motion by Mr. Teackle, the following message was read and assented to.

By the House of Delegates, Jan. 5, 1827.

Gentlemen of the Senate,

In the absence of Mr. John Brewer, who is confined by sickness, Mr. Gideon Pearce, the assistant clerk, has been appointed the chief clerk of this house, pro tempore, and Mr. George Brewer has been appointed to the place of assistant clerk, pro tempore,

By order, Gideon Pearce, Chief Clk. pro tempore.

The speaker laid before the house a report of the treasurer for the western shore, prepared in obedience to an order of the first instant, that he lay before the house, a statement of the revenue accrued each year from the inspection of tobacco in Baltimore, since the establishment of state warehouses; which was read and referred to the standing committee on ways and means; and also a report from the clerk of Prince-George's county court, relative to the attendance of the judges of that court; referred to the standing committee on grievances and courts of justice.