

On motion by Mr. Bayly, "Somerset county" was inserted.

The bill being read throughout the question was put, shall the said bill pass? Determined in the negative.

The bill from the senate entitled, an act for the benefit of Sarah Clarkson, of Kent county, was read the second time, passed and returned to the senate.

Mr. Spencer from the committee delivers the following report:

The committee to whom was referred the petition of Philip Reed, of Kent county; beg leave to report that they have had the same under consideration, and respectfully submit the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That Philip Reed of Kent county be, and he is hereby released from all interest on a judgment obtained by the state of Maryland, against him in Kent county court, at the March term thereof in the year eighteen hundred and fifteen, as the security of Josiah Johnson, a former collector of a fund tax in Kent county.

By order,

JAMES GODDARD, Clerk.

Which was read. The resolution in favor of Caleb Steuart and Henry Thompson; and the resolution in favor of the examiner general, were severally read the second time, assented to and sent to the senate.

The report on the petition of Hugh Beard and others; and the report on the petition of James Jackson, of Cecil county, were severally read the second time and concurred in.

The bill entitled, an act authorising a lottery to raise a sum of money to purchase a lot of ground in the city or precincts of Baltimore and to erect a building thereon to be used as an engine house, was read the second time, passed and sent to the senate.

Mr. Hughes delivers a bill entitled, an act to alter and change the name of Lewis Finney of the city of Baltimore into the name of Lewis Lea. Which was read the first and second time by special order, passed and sent to the senate.

The report of the committee to whom was referred the bill from the senate entitled, an act relating to streets in the city and precincts of Baltimore, was read the second time and concurred in as far as relating to the rejection of the said bill, and the remainder of the report dissented from.

The bill from the senate, entitled, an act relating to streets in the city and precincts of Baltimore, was read the second time and the question put, shall the said bill pass? Determined in the negative and the bill returned to the senate.

The report on the petition of sundry inhabitants of Baltimore county, praying to be taxed for the purposes of education, was read the second time and concurred in.

The bill entitled, a supplement to an act entitled, an act to empower Burgess Willett, executor of Robert W. Fleming, late sheriff and collector of Montgomery county, to collect fees and county taxes payable into his hands for collection in his life, was read the second time, passed and sent to the senate.

On motion by Mr. Stansbury, Resolved unanimously that the thanks of this house are hereby given to the honorable Henry H. Chapman, for the attentive, able and impartial manner in which he conducted the business thereof as speaker.

On motion by Mr. Kilgour, the following message was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, January 27, 1816.

Gentlemen of the Senate,

We feel it to be a solemn and imperious duty again to call your attention to the appointment of a senator to fill the vacancy in the United States senate, which has unnecessarily and unhappily continued long beyond the period contemplated by the public judgment, the spirit of the constitution and a positive law of the state. In ordinary times we should have considered our duty as performed by the several messages already sent to your house, and relying upon the intelligence and virtue of the people, to their we should have committed the remedy and redress, but at a moment when the congress are acting on measures of deep import and vital interest to the state; when a system of onerous taxation is to be continued or repealed as one vote may decide, when armies, the navy, creation of military academies, and above all a threatened war with Spain depend upon the same doubtful issue, we cannot avoid pressing upon the attention of your house the importance of the appointment proposed. It is in the senate that the small states are elevated to an equality with the larger states, and by dispensing with the advantage imparted and confined by the great instrument of concession and compromise, we part with a privilege of high value, and are guilty of self degradation and abasement. It is no less worthy the serious consideration of the people's agents, whether they can stand justified to themselves or their country, in defeating by artifice or by force the declared will of the majority, for these and other weighty occasions which will readily suggest themselves to the senate, this house ever resolved to maintain the rights and obey the will of the people fairly and constitutionally declared, demand of the senate an official communication of their assent to proceed to the appointment of a senator.

We propose to proceed to a joint ballot for a senator to day according to the mode already pointed out in our messages on this subject.

By order,

LOUIS GASSAWAY, Clerk.

The amendment proposed by the senate to the bill entitled, an act to establish a bank and incorporate a company under the title of the Consolidated Bank, was read the second time by special order, assented to and the bill ordered to be engrossed.

On motion by Mr. Quinon, the question was put, that the bill entitled, an act to incorporate a company by the name and style of the Land Bank of Upper Marlborough, be referred to the consideration of the next General Assembly? Resolved in the affirmative.

The report of the committee to whom was referred the bill from the senate entitled, a further supplement to an act entitled, an act to incorporate a company to make a turnpike road to lead from the cross roads near Richard Caton's lime kiln in Baltimore county, nearly in the direction of Jones' falls to the city of Baltimore, was read the second time, and on motion by Mr. Neale, the question was put, that the further consideration of the said report together with the bill reported by the committee be referred to the consideration of the next General Assembly? Resolved in the affirmative.

The bill from the senate entitled, a further supplement to an act entitled, an act to incorporate a com-