

Which was read.

On motion by Mr. Davidson, the following message was read and agreed to:

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, January 27, 1816.

Gentlemen of the Senate,

The office of register of wills for Cecil county being vacant in consequence of the resignation of William Alexander, late register of that county, we propose with the concurrence of your house to proceed immediately to the election of a register for said county. Mr. Henry D. Miller is put in nomination by this house, and we have appointed Messrs. Davidson and Forwood to join such gentlemen as may be named by you to count the ballots and report the result.

By order,

LOUIS GASSAWAY, Clk.

On motion by Mr. E. K. Wilson, the question was put, that the house reconsider the said message for the purpose of inserting the following at the end thereof.

"At the same time we propose to go into the election of a register of wills for Queen Ann's county, Thomas C. Earle is put in nomination by us. The same gentlemen are appointed by us to count the ballots and report thereon?" Resolved in the affirmative.

The question was then put, that the house assent to the message as amended? Resolved in the affirmative and the message sent to the senate.

The clerk of the senate delivers a bill entitled, an act authorising a lottery to raise a sum of money for completing an Episcopal church in Baltimore county; and the bill entitled, an act for the relief of Theodore Weems, of Anne Arundel county, severally endorsed, "will pass." Ordered to be engrossed. And the bill entitled, an act to incorporate a company to make the several turnpike roads therein mentioned, accompanied by the following message:

BY THE SENATE, January 27, 1816.

Gentlemen of the House of Delegates,

At present we cannot recede from our first amendment to the bill entitled, an act to incorporate a company to make the several turnpike roads therein mentioned, but we will pass the bill without the amendment to which you object, provided you will insert in lieu thereof the following amendment; after the word "Wilmington" in the 11th line of the first page insert "and also from said site or any place in said roads to intersect the road from Havre de Grace to Elkton."

By order,

THOS. ROGERS, Clk.

Which was read.

Also the following communication from the executive covering a letter from the secretary of war.

To the honorable the General Assembly of Maryland.

IN COUNCIL, ANAETOLIS, January 26, 1816.

GENTLEMEN,

We have the honor to transmit a letter from the secretary of war, the object of which is to obtain a cession to the United States of the jurisdiction of such places within Maryland, as are intended by the general government for the erection of permanent fortifications. The secretary of war having omitted as was intended by him to designate the sites of which the jurisdiction is asked, we have written to request of him this information. As however the arrival of it before the session of the General Assembly is brought to a close is very doubtful, we have thought proper to forward the letter, in order that the subject may at once be before the legislature.

We have the honor to be, with great respect, your obedient servants,

C. RIDGELY, (of Hampt.)

Which with the letter accompanying the same were severally read:

On motion by Mr. Little, the question was put, that the said communications be referred to a committee? The yeas and nays being required, appeared as follow:

AFFIRMATIVE.—Messrs. Sellman, T. H. Dorsey, R. Dorsey, C. Stuart, Reynolds, Randall, Little, Stansbury, Harryman, Dickinson, Long, Somerville, Calvert, Duvall, Meconniken, Harrison, Roberts, Stevens, Quinton, Hall, Forwood, Denny, Harcastle, Willis, Styll, W. Stuart, Kershner, Schnebly, Bowles, E. G. Williams.—30

NEGATIVE.—Mr. Speaker, Messrs. Scott, Neale, Causin, Spencer, Boyer, Tilghman, Brown, Gray, Graham, Ireland, Stonestreet, Bayly, Dennis, J. C. Wilson, Pitt, Griffith, Lecompt, Beard, A. D. Mitchell, Davidson, Evans, Beall, Van Horn, E. K. Wilson, J. Mitchell, Taney, Thomas, Howard, Johnson, Jones, Riggs, Crabb, M. Mahon, Hilleary, Tomlinson, Prather.—38

So it was determined in the negative.

The house proceeded to the election of a senator to represent this state in the senate of the United States, and the ballots being deposited in the ball-t box, the gentlemen named to strike retired and after some time returned and reported that Robert Goodloe Harper was elected; whereupon,

Resolved, That Robert Goodloe Harper, Esquire be, and he is hereby declared to be the senator to represent this state in the senate of the United States.

On motion by Mr. Lecompt, the following resolution was read:

Resolved, That no person shall be deemed elected as director in the Bank of Baltimore, unless there be a majority of the votes of all the attending members in his favor:

The said resolution being read the second time, the question was put, that the house assent to the same? Resolved in the affirmative.

The house proceeded to the election of a director on the part of the state for the Bank of Baltimore, the ballots being deposited in the ballot box, the gentlemen named to strike retired and after some time returned and reported that Samuel Fernandis had 32 votes, John W. Thomas 13 votes, and Samuel Briscoe 27 votes. Neither of whom having a majority of the votes of the attending member, the house proceeded to a second ballot when the gentlemen named to strike retired and after some time returned and reported that Samuel Fernandis had 33 votes, John W. Thomas had 33 votes, and Samuel Briscoe had one vote, neither of the persons yet having a majority as required, the house postponed the appointment.

On motion by Mr. Van Horn, the question was put, that the house reconsider the amendments proposed to the bill from the senate entitled, an act to alter the times of the holding of the court of appeals