

station, and by so respectable a body as the legislature of Maryland, can but impress on my mind sentiments of gratitude. I will therefore accept of the appointment, and will repair to the seat of government at an early period.

I am, gentlemen, with due consideration, your fellow citizen,

SAMUEL STEVENS, Jr.

Mr. Chambers from the committee delivers a bill, entitled, An act to alter and change all such parts of the constitution and form of government, as relates to the oaths to be taken by the members of the senate and house of delegates; which was read and ordered to be printed.

The bill, entitled, An act to confirm an act passed at December session eighteen hundred and twenty-one, entitled, An act to alter, change and repeal, all such parts of the constitution and form of government of this state, as relates to the division of Baltimore county into election districts; and the bill to confirm an act, entitled, An act to alter and repeal such parts of the constitution and form of government of this state, as relates to the division of Frederick county into election districts, were read the second time and laid on the table.

The bill for the relief of Mahlon Chandler, and Joshua Pierce and Hannah his wife, of Montgomery county, was read the second time, and referred to Messrs. Wootton, Bowie and Johnson.

The clerk of the house of delegates delivered a bill, entitled, An act for the support of George Buckler, of Saint Mary's county; and a bill, entitled, An additional supplement to the act, entitled, An act to regulate elections; which were read the first time and laid on the table.

And returns the bill to enable Emanuel Vener, of Caroline county, to purchase and hold real property within this state, endorsed, "will pass."

Mr. Quinton submitted the following message: which was read, assented to and sent to the house of delegates.

BY THE SENATE, December 13, 1822.

*Gentlemen of the House of Delegates*—We have appointed Messrs. Quinton, Kent, Wootton, Johnson and Miller, a committee on the part of the senate, to join the gentlemen named by your house, to form a committee of both houses for the purpose of comparing and examining the engrossed bills.

By order,

WM. KILTY, Clk.

Mr. Chambers submitted the following message; which was read, assented to, and sent to the house of delegates.

BY THE SENATE, December 13, 1822.

*Gentlemen of the House of Delegates*—The senate have received the report of the committee of conference, who were directed to devise proper means to cause the proceedings of the legislature to be published daily, and have concurred therewith. The senate are of opinion, that the plan suggested by the committee will be productive of mutual advantage, to an extent which will amply remunerate the state for the estimated cost, and therefore will be gratified to learn that you accord with us in opinion.

By order,

WM. KILTY, Clk.

The bill for the benefit of John Schwartfelter and Jacob Christ, of Washington county, was read the third time, and on motion, the question was put, will the senate receive the following as amendments?

1st. After the word "from" in the fifth line of the preamble insert "their."

2nd. After the word "Maryland," in the first enacting clause, strike out all that follows to the first proviso, and insert: "that it shall and may be lawful for the said John Schwartfelter and Jacob Christ, or either of them, to have, hold, possess and enjoy, all real property heretofore acquired by them, or either of them, by purchase, or which may hereafter be so acquired by them, or either of them, in the same manner, to all intents and purposes, as they would do, if at the time of such purchases they had been natural born citizens."

3rd. Strike out the words "the said," in the second line of the proviso, and insert the words "any such"

4th. In the sixth line of the last proviso strike out the words "or acquired." Determined in the affirmative.

The question was then put, shall the bill as amended pass? Determined in the affirmative, and it was sent to the house of delegates.

The clerk of the house of delegates delivered a resolution relative to the Cumberland road; which was read the first time and laid on the table.

Also a bill, antitled, An act to incorporate the Columbian Beneficial Society; which was read the first, and by special order a second time, and referred to Messrs. Johnson, Brownley and Orrell.

On motion of Mr. Chambers, leave to bring in a bill to be entitled, a supplement to the act, entitled An act for regulating writs of error, and granting appeals from & to the courts of common law within this province. And it was ordered, that Messrs. Chambers, Johnson and Dickinson, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

On motion, leave of absence was granted to Messrs: M'Kim and Wootton.

On motion by Mr. Johnson, leave was given to bring in a bill to be entitled, An act relating to usury. And it was ordered, that Messrs. Johnson, Claude and Miller, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

The clerk of the house of delegates delivered a bill, entitled, An act to repeal the parts of the acts of assembly therein mentioned, and for other purposes; which was read the first time and laid on the table.

The senate adjourned until to-morrow morning 10 o'clock.