

The additional supplement to the act for the regulation of officers' fees, was read a second time and laid on the table.

The clerk of the house of delegates delivered the following message, which was read.
BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, February 11, 1823.

Gentlemen of the Senate—We propose, with your concurrence, to close the present session of the legislature on the 22d instant, as we believe all the necessary business before us, can be transacted by that time.
By order, J. BREWER, Clk.

Also the following message; which was read.

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, Feb. 11, 1823

Gentlemen of the Senate—We regret the rejection of the bill giving jurisdiction to justices of the peace in small trespasses. This bill, we believe is desired by the people of this state. We think it is calculated to be useful in many ways; when punishment quickly follows offence, it is not so likely to be committed. If men knew that a speedy remedy could be had, they would be cautious how they violated the feelings of good neighborhood by wanton acts of cruelty on the beasts of others. The expenses attendant upon law suits, deter men from seeking their rights generally in cases of the character described in the bill. We think similar reasons present themselves as in cases of small debts. The inconvenience and costs that accompany such prosecutions, it is supposed by some, that there would be appeals in all such cases; if there were, the fees and costs would not be by half so great as the fees and costs attending an original action. The angry passions of parties would not be roused in a greater degree than in trials of cases of trespasses for cutting trees. Some cases of this sort have been tried without appeals. Indeed, it is not reasonable to imagine, that the plaintiff would always encounter the trouble of an appeal. The defendant would be often too sensible of having done injury to go farther with it. We therefore hope your honorable body will reconsider your vote on this bill and permit it to become a law.
By order, J. BREWER, Clk.

Also the following message; which was read.

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES; February 11, 1823.

Gentlemen of the Senate—We return you the bill, entitled, An act for the relief of Edward Graham, which was rejected by your honorable body, and respectfully ask a reconsideration of the same.
By order, J. BREWER, Clk.

Also a bill, entitled, A supplement to the act, entitled, An act relating to the paving of certain streets in the city of Baltimore; which was read the first time and laid on the table. Also a bill, entitled, An act for the relief of Stephen Bryan, of Saint Mary's county; which was read the first, and by special order a second time, and laid on the table.

And returns the bill giving jurisdiction to justices of the peace in trespasses for killing, wounding or otherwise injuring horses, black cattle, hogs and sheep, and the bill for the relief of Edward Graham of Dorchester county; which were laid on the table.

Mr. Johnson submitted the following message:

BY THE SENATE, February 11, 1823.

Gentlemen of the House of Delegates—The senate concur in your proposal to adjourn on the 22d instant, but would prefer an earlier period, as the business they have before them can be done in a shorter time.
By order, WM. KILTY, Clk.

Which was read, assented to, and sent to the house of delegates.

The additional supplement to the act for the regulation of officers fees, was read a third time by special order, passed, and sent to the house of delegates.

The clerk of the house of delegates delivered the following message; which was read:

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, February 11, 1823.

Gentlemen of the Senate—In reply to your message of the 6th of February, relative to the Avalon Manufacturing Company, we have to inform you that we have appointed Messrs. John P. Kennedy, Semmes and Edelen, on the part of this house, to join the gentlemen appointed by you to meet in conference.
By order, J. BREWER, Clk.

Mr. Johnson from the committee to whom was referred a bill to explain an act, entitled, A supplement to the act to provide for the opening and extension of Pratt-street, in the city of Baltimore, reported, that the committee had had the same under consideration, and were of opinion that it ought to pass. Which report was concurred in. The bill was then read a second, and by special order a third time, and will pass.

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

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 1823.

The senate met. Present the same members as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read.

The bill, entitled, An act to explain an act, entitled, A supplement to the act, entitled, An act to provide for the opening and extension of Pratt-street, in the city of Baltimore, was sent to the house of delegates.

Mr. Bowie from the committee reported a bill, entitled, An act relating to the second and third districts for choosing electors of president and vice president of the United States; which was read the first, and by special order a second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The clerk of the house of delegates delivered a bill, entitled, An act for the relief of Jacob Lantz, of Allegany county; which was read the first time and referred to Messrs. Johnson, Miller, Bowie, Kent and Orrell.

And returns the bill, entitled, An act for the relief of Ann Jeffers, of Queen-Anne's county, endorsed, "will pass," and it was ordered to be engrossed. Also the bill to incorporate a society in the city of Baltimore by the name of the Second Franklin Beneficial Society of Maryland,