

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, Feb. 25, 1825.

Gentlemen of the Senate,

The house of delegates were anxious to close the session of the legislature to day, but owing to the pressure of business before them, they are prevented from doing so. With the consent of your honorable body they propose to close the session to morrow.

By order,

J. BREWER, Clk.

Also a resolution in favour of the chaplains; which was read the first, and by special order a second and third time, assented to, and returned to the house of delegates. Also a bill, entitled, An act to provide for the prompt settlement and final close of the concerns of the Bank of Caroline; which was read the first time and laid on the table. Also a bill, entitled, An act for the benefit of Jonathan Neale Laughlin, and his heirs; which was read the first time and laid on the table. Also a bill, entitled, An act to open and extend Pleasant street in the city of Baltimore; which was read the first time and laid on the table. Also a bill, entitled, An act relative to the assessment of taxes in certain lands lying in the vicinity of Annapolis, which was read the first time and referred to Messrs. Claude, Tilghman and Miller. Also a bill, entitled, An act to authorise the building of a bridge over the river Patapsco at the place commonly called Hammond's Ferry; which was read the first time and laid on the table. Also a bill, entitled, An act to incorporate the Frederick-Town Free School Society, and for other purposes; which was read the first time and laid on the table. Also a bill, entitled, An additional supplement to an act, entitled, A supplement to an act to erect a town in Queen Anne's county, passed at December session 1796, chap. 16; which was read the first time and laid on the table. Also a bill, entitled, An act to appoint commissioners to review the ninth and part of the tenth election districts in Baltimore county, and establish a proper place for holding the elections; which was read the first time and laid on the table. Also a bill, entitled, An act for the benefit of the trustees of the school-house in Reister's-town, Baltimore county; which was read first time and laid on the table. Also a bill, entitled, An act to repeal certain acts of assembly therein mentioned; which was read the first, and by special order a second and third time, passed and returned to the house of delegates. Also a bill, entitled, An act for the revaluation of real and personal property in Allegany county; which was read the first time and laid on the table. And returned the bill to provide for the cession of territorial jurisdiction at Cedar Point and Point Look Out, in St. Mary's county, and at James' Point or James' Island, in Dorchester county, for the erection of light houses thereon, endorsed "amendments assented to, except the last, which was dissented from."

The question was then put, "Will the senate recede from their last amendment?" Determined in the affirmative, and it was returned to the house of delegates. Also the bill respecting the equity jurisdiction of the county courts in the sixth judicial district of Maryland, and the bill for the relief of Juliana Marriot of Baltimore county, severally endorsed "will pass."

Mr. Scott offered the following message; which was read, assented to, and sent to the house of delegates:

BY THE SENATE, Feb. 25, 1825.

Gentlemen of the House of Delegates,

The senate have received your message proposing to invite his excellency the governor into the senate chamber to morrow at 11 o'clock, A. M. to sign such of the engrossed bills as are ready for his signature, and have appointed Messrs. Scott and Tilghman to join the gentlemen named by you, to wait upon his excellency, and request his attendance.

The senate have also received your message proposing to close the session to morrow, and concur therein.

By order,

W. KILTY, Clk.

The bill to provide for the prompt settlement and final close of the concerns of the Bank of Caroline, was read a second and third time by special order, passed, and returned to the house of delegates.

The president laid before the senate the annual report of the trustees of St. John's college; which was read and referred to the consideration of the house of delegates.

The bill to regulate the inspection of salted fish, was read a third time, the title of the same amended, and it was passed and returned to the house of delegates with the proposed amendments.

Mr. Bowie from the committee to whom was referred the supplement to an act to prevent the unlawful exportation of negroes and mulattoes, and to alter and amend the laws concerning runaways, reported, that the committee had had the same under consideration, and were of opinion that it ought to pass with the following amendments. Amendments proposed—1. After the words "thereof to" in the 10th line, strike out all the balance of the section and all the 2d section to the word "for" in the 2d line thereof. 2. After the word "court" in same line and section insert "who shall thereupon immediately." 3. Strike out the word "to" in the same line after the word "court." 4. Insert as the 2d section: "And be it enacted, That the said judge shall deliver the said commitment or commitments to the clerk of the city court, to be filed and preserved by him amongst the proceedings of said court." Insert as the third section, "And be it enacted, That if the sheriff of said court shall neglect or omit to deliver a copy of said commitment or commitments to some one of the judges of Baltimore city court, within the time herein before directed, he shall forfeit the sum of fifty dollars for every such offence, to be recovered by action of debt, in the name of the state, in Baltimore city court, one half to go the informer, and the other half to the state." In the 4th line of last section after the word "thereafter" insert "under a penalty of fifty dollars, to be recovered as herein before directed." 7. After the word "Baltimore" in the 6th line same section insert "and in such other newspaper or newspapers printed elsewhere in the state, as the said sheriff may think proper." Which amendments were read and assented to. The bill was then read a second, and by special order a third time, passed with the proposed amendments, and returned to the house of delegates.

The bill for the benefit of Jonathan Neale Laughlin, and his heirs, was read a second time by special order and laid on the table.

The bill to appoint commissioners to review the ninth and part of the tenth election districts in Baltimore county, and to establish a proper place for holding the election, was read a second and third time, passed, and returned to the house of delegates.

Mr. Bowie asked and obtained leave to bring in a bill to be entitled, An act to extend to all the citizens