

Mr. Tilghman appeared in the senate, and took his seat.

The message to the house of delegates, proposing the appointment of a joint committee to visit the legislature of Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Delaware, on the subject of absconding slaves, was read a second time, amended and laid on the table.

The clerk of the council delivered a communication from the executive, accompanied by sundry documents, which were read and referred to the consideration of the house of delegates.

The clerk of the house of delegates delivered the following messages, which were read.

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, Dec. 29th, 1825.

*Gentlemen of the Senate,*

We have received your message, proposing to change the time of electing the vacated offices of registers of wills, from Thursday to Wednesday next, and assent thereto.

By order,

JOHN BREWER. Clerk.

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, Dec. 30th, 1825.

*Gentlemen of the Senate,*

We have received your message proposing an interchange of services between the Rev. Dr. Rafferty, appointed by your honorable body to perform divine service, and the reverend gentleman appointed by this house. We have appointed the Rev. Mr. Smith to perform divine service, and accede to your offer of interchange.

By order.

JOHN BREWER, Clerk.

Also, a resolution relative to the governor and council, which was read and laid on the table

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

SATURDAY, December 31st, 1825.

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

The clerk of the council delivered the following communication from his excellency the governor, which was read and referred to the house of delegates.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, Dec. 31st, 1825.

*To the Honorable*

*The President of the Senate, and*

*The Honorable*

*The Speaker of the House of Delegates,*

*Gentlemen,*

I would respectfully suggest the propriety of a committee being appointed without delay, to examine and take an inventory of the furniture, &c. now belonging to the government house, and also to examine any accounts of expenditures of the money ap-