

The practice of visiting the penitentiary, and examining into its affairs, by a committee of the legislature, has, it is believed by the senate, been productive of much advantage to that institution: we therefore hope then this wholesome scrutiny will not be omitted at the present session.

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

Wednesday, February 8th, 1826.

The senate met. Present, the same members as on yesterday, except Mr. Bowie and Mr. Tilghman.

The proceedings of yesterday were read.

The resolution relative to chancery papers, was read a second, and by special order, a third time, assented to, and returned to the house of delegates.

The resolution in favor of Robert Stewart, was read a second time and laid on the table.

The supplement to an act to incorporate the trustees of the Church Hill Academy, in Queen Anne's county, was read a second time and laid on the table.

The supplement to the act to provide for the prompt settlement and final close of the concerns of the Bank of Caroline, passed at December session, 1824, chapter 163, was read a second time, amended, and laid on the table.

On motion, the bill to ascertain and settle the law relative to writs of forcible entry and detainer, was referred to Messrs. Johnson, Miller, and Quinton.

On motion, the bill to establish a court within the city of Baltimore, to be called Baltimore District Court, was recommitted to the committee, who reported it.

Mr. Scott asked and obtained leave to bring in a bill to be entitled, a further supplement to the act entitled, an act to declare and enlarge the powers of the court of chancery and the county courts, as courts of equity. Ordered, that Messrs. Scott, Thomas and Orrell, should be a committee to prepare and report the same.

The resolution relative to the state's claim against the United States, was read a third time by special order, rejected, and returned to the house of delegates.

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

By the Senate, February 8th, 1826.

Gentlemen of the House of Delegates,

We return you the resolutions respecting the claim of the state on the United States, for interest on the loans raised by the state during the late war, and which have been recognized and paid by the United States.