

The senate proceeded to the election of a senator, to represent this state in the senate of the United States. The ballot box being prepared, the ballots were deposited therein, sealed up, and delivered to the committee of the senate, appointed to meet the committee of the house of delegates, to count the ballots, who having retired, after some time returned and reported that there were eighty three votes taken in all, and that Samuel Smith, Esq. had seventy eight votes, and that there were five blanks.

Whereupon, it was declared in the senate, that Samuel Smith, Esq. having had a majority of all the votes of the attending members of both branches of the legislature, was duly elected a senator, to represent this state, in the senate of the United States.

The clerk of the house of delegates delivered the following message, which was read.

By the House of Delegates, January 9th, 1827.

Gentlemen of the Senate,

We have passed a bill entitled, an act concerning certain dealers in lottery tickets.—The injuries resulting from this encouragement of foreign lotteries are sufficient to enforce the immediate enactment of this measure.—We therefore invite the earliest attention of your honorable body to this subject.

By order,

Gideon Pearce, Clerk.

Also, a bill entitled, an act concerning certain dealers in lottery tickets, which was read and referred to Messrs, Heath, Dennis, and Nelson.

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

Wednesday, January 10th, 1827.

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

Mr. Herbert, from the committee to whom was referred the bill relative to the public roads in Prince George's county, reported that the committee had had the same under consideration, and was of opinion that it ought to pass, with the following amendments, viz. 1st, In the third line of the first section, after the word "understanding," insert the words "one whom shall be selected from the residents of each of the election districts of said county.—2d, In the seventh section, in the third line, strike out after the word "services," to the word "act," in the seventh line, and insert the words "and the said commissioners shall individually be entitled to receive a compensation, not exceeding two dollars, for every day they shall be employed in the performance of the services required by this act. 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.