

The clerk of the senate delivered a letter from the honourable Daniel Martin, the governor elect; referred by the senate to the consideration of this house; which letter was read, and is as follows:

Wilderness, January 4, 1831.

To the Hon'ble, the President of the Senate, and
 Speaker of the House of Delegates,
 Gentlemen,

Your joint letter of the 3d inst. announcing my election to the chief executive office of the state, has just been received.

Permit me, gentlemen, through you, to express to the honourable bodies over which you respectively preside, my sincere acknowledgments for this distinguished proof of their confidence, and to assure them, that I will endeavour to merit the honour conferred on me, by earnest and unremitting exertions, to perform the duties of the station to which they have called me.

I shall leave home with as little delay as possible, and hope to be at Annapolis in the course of next week, to qualify according to the constitution and form of government.

Accept, gentlemen, for yourselves personally, and for the respective branches of the legislature over which you preside, the assurance of my high respect and consideration.

DANIEL MARTIN.

On motion by Mr. Smith, Ordered, That William K. Fitzhugh have leave to withdraw from the archives of this house, the petition of Elizabeth S. Fitzhugh, which was presented to the legislature at the session of 1818, and all the papers relative thereto.

On motion by Mr. M'Mahon, leave was given to bring in a bill, entitled, An act for the better collection of county charges in Allegany county. Ordered, That Messrs. M'Mahon, Shaw and Reid, report the same.

Mr. Tilghman reported a bill, entitled, An act to authorise the county courts in this state to enter up judgments in certain cases, at the first term; which was read, and referred to the committee on grievances and courts of justice.

On motion by Mr. Hawkins, Ordered, That the petition of Susanna Reeder, presented at the present session of the general assembly, be withdrawn from the files of the house.

On motion by Mr. Hunt, leave was given to bring in a bill, entitled, A supplement to an act, entitled, An act to regulate the issuing of licenses to traders, keepers of ordinaries, and others. Ordered, That Messrs. Hunt, Tilghman and Nicholas, report the same.