

When Mr. Teackle offered as a substitute therefor, the following:

“And be it enacted, That an unlimited right is hereby reserved to the state to modify or repeal any provision of this act, and to regulate by law the government of the aforesaid house of refuge, as also to abolish said institution or corporation.”

Mr. Wootton moved to postpone the further consideration of the bill until to-morrow.

On the question being put, it was resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Keene from the committee on grievances and courts of justice, reported a bill, entitled, An act to authorise the appointment of commissioners without the state, to administer oaths and take acknowledgments of deeds.

Mr. M'Elfresh reported a bill, entitled, A supplement to the act, entitled, An act for founding a college in the city of Frederick, by the name of Frederick College.

Mr. Kemp reported a bill, entitled, An act to provide for the purchase of the office papers formerly belonging to the surveyor's office of Frederick county, and to repeal an act therein mentioned.

Mr. Burchenal reported a bill, entitled, An act to regulate the manner of taking leases in this state.

Mr. Nicholas reported a bill, entitled, An additional act relating to the city of Baltimore.

And Mr. Merrick reported a bill, entitled, An additional supplement to an act, entitled, An act for quieting possessions, enrolling conveyances, and securing the estates of purchasers;

Which were severally read.

The house adjourned until to-morrow morning 9 o'clock.

TUESDAY, February 8th, 1831.

The house met. Present the same members as on yesterday.

The proceedings of yesterday were read.

The bill, entitled, An act directing the manner of advertising trespassing estrays; also the bill, entitled, An act to confirm the sale and make valid the deed of conveyance from the trustees of the poor of Harford county, of the almshouse and lands thereto belonging in said county, to the