South Carolina ordinance, and the substitute proposed by Mr. Merrick; and after some time spent therein, the Speaker resumed the chair.;

When Mr. Blakistone, the chairman, reported that the said committee had, according to order, had the said report and substitute under consideration, and having made some progress therein, directed him to ask leave to sit again; which leave was granted by the house.

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

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THURSDAY, January 24th, 1833.

The house met; present the same members as on yesterday, except Mr. Thomas, the Speaker.

On motion by Mr. Nicols,

The house proceeded to ballot for a Speaker, pro tempore; the ballots of the members being collected in the ballot box; on examination thereof, it appeared that Benjamin L. Gantt, Esquire, received fifty-eight votes, and that there were nine scatterring—whereupon Benjamin L. Gantt, Esq. was declared duly elected the Speaker pro tempore, of the House of Delegates, and accordingly took the chair.

The proceedings of yesterday were read.

The bill entitled, An act to authorize the conveyance of certain real estate therein mentioned. The bill entitled, An act to divorce Julianna Donaldson, from her husband William B. Donaldson.

And the Resolutions relative to the State Tobacco Warehouses, were sent to the Senate.

Mr. Jenkins presented a petition of Cassandra O'Brien, of the city of Baltimore, prayiug a divorce *a mensa et thoro*, from her husband Hugh O'Brien.

Also, presented a memorial of Sarah A. Stansbury of Baltimore county, praying for a divorce.

Which were read, and severally referred to the Standing committee on divorces.

Mr. Powell presented a petition of Selby Marshall, a free man of colour, praying for an act to authorize him to return to this State;

Which was read and referred to the committee on the colored population.

Mr. Grove presented a petition of sundry citizens of Sharpsburg, in Washington county, praying for an act of incorporation for said town;