

Feb. 17.] OF THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES.

cation of his children, endorsed 'will pass with the proposed amendments.'

Which amendments were severally read the first, and by special order the second time, severally assented to, and the bill ordered to be engrossed.

The door-keeper, having returned, reported that, in obedience to order, he had notified the absent members that their attendance in the house was required.

The house then resumed the consideration of the bill as amended by the committee of the whole house, entitled, an act to amend the constitution and form of government of the State of Maryland.

Mr. Hopewell moved to postpone said bill until Monday next;

Determined in the negative.

Mr. Bowles moved to amend said bill, by striking out in the 1st section, 2d line, the word "first," and inserting "third;"

Determined in the negative.

Mr. Buchanan moved to amend said section, by striking out "Wednesday," and inserting "Monday;"

Determined in the negative.

Mr. Tuck moved to amend said section, by striking out "October," and inserting "September;"

Determined in the negative.

Mr. Eccleston moved to amend said section, by striking out in the 4th line thereof, from the words "composed of," to the end of said section, and inserting in lieu thereof the following—

"Two delegates from the several counties of this State and from the city of Baltimore, and one delegate from the city of Annapolis; and one additional delegate for every fifteen thousand inhabitants in any county of this State or in the city of Baltimore, according to the census of 1830; provided that no county or city shall have more than four delegates till after the taking and promulgation of the census of 1840, after which period any county in this State which shall have a population of or over forty thousand souls, shall have five delegates, and the city of Baltimore five delegates, and no more;"

Which was read.

Mr. Bruce moved to amend said amendment, by striking out "fifteen;" and inserting "ten;"

Determined in the negative.

Mr. Duke moved to amend said amendment, by striking out "fifteen," and inserting "twenty;"