

titled. An act to tax certain offices, passed at December session, 1823, and the act to explain and amend the same, passed at December session, 1824; which was read and laid on the table.

Mr. Stevens, from the standing committee on lotteries, reported a bill, entitled, An act concerning certain dealers in lottery tickets; which was twice read by special order; and during the progress of reading the same, on motion by Mr. Stevens, the first blank in the third section thereof, prescribing the tax to be paid on obtaining a license in the city of Baltimore, was filled up with "one thousand dollars;" and the second blank in said section was filled up with "one hundred dollars" as the tax to be paid, if the license be obtained elsewhere.

On motion by Mr. Stevens, the blank in the fourth section, which prescribes the penalty of the bond to be given by persons obtaining licenses, was filled up with "ten thousand dollars."

On motion by Mr. Edward Hughes, the following amendment as an additional section to said bill was adopted:

Section 9. And be it enacted, That nothing in this act contained, shall be construed to authorise any person or persons, obtaining a license under this act, to open, establish, or set up, more than one office, under every such license.

On motion by Mr. Teackle, the previous question was then put, which being sustained by the house, the main question was put, the bill passed without a division, and was sent to the senate for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Teackle, the following message was then read, assented to, and sent to the senate:

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

Gentlemen of the Senate,

We have passed a bill, entitled, An act concerning certain dealers in lottery tickets.

The injuries resulting from the encouragement of foreign lotteries are sufficient to enforce the immediate enactment of this measure. We therefore invite the earliest attention of your honourable body to this subject.

By order,

Gideon Pearce, Clk. pro tem.

The clerk of the senate delivered the following message; which was read.

By the Senate, January 9, 1827.

Gentlemen of the House of Delegates,

The senate have received your message proposing to proceed immediately to the election of a senator to represent the state of Maryland, in the senate of the United States, for the term of six years, from the third day of March next, and concur therewith. No person is put in nomination by the senate in addition to the gentleman named in your message.