

Mr. Long presented the petition of Noah Rider, Samuel W. Jones, James Stewart, Samuel S. Boggs and other citizens of Somerset county, praying that a law be passed authorising the purchase by the commissioners of said county, of a tract of land for the poor of said county, and other purposes;

Which was read and referred to the Somerset county delegation.

On motion of Mr. Long,

Ordered, That leave be granted to withdraw from the files of the House a petition similar to the above presented at the last session of the Legislature.

On motion of Mr. Johnson, of Frederick.

Ordered, That the committee on Inspections, enquire into the expediency of so altering the law of 1843, regulating the measurement of corn barrels, so as to adopt a more just and uniform standard.

On motion of Mr. Calvert,

Leave was granted Messrs. Calvert, Johnson, of Frederick, Stewart, Stansbury, of Baltimore county, Waters, Graves and Long, to bring in a bill establishing a board of public works.

On motion of Mr. Williams, of Somerset,

Leave was granted the Somerset county delegation, to bring a bill to make valid the proceedings of Edward M. Wise, Esq., a justice of the peace of Somerset county.

On motion of Mr. Bowie,

Ordered, That one hundred and twenty-five copies of the "correspondence between the Treasurer of the Western Shore of Maryland, and the Third Auditor of the United States' Treasury, on the subject of the claim of the State of Maryland, upon the United States for interest due upon sums advanced by the State, during the late war with Great Britain," which took place in the year 1826; be printed.

Mr. Bowie submitted the following preamble and resolution:

Whereas, the 4th instalment of the surplus revenues of the general government of the United States, ordered to be deposited with the several States of this Union, by an act of Congress passed at the session of 1835, 6, has not yet been paid as directed by the act of Congress; and whereas, the State of Maryland is deeply involved in debts contracted for works of internal improvement, one of the most important of which is still unfinished, and is therefore totally unproductive, and the State has in consequence been compelled to resort to high taxation to sustain her credit; and whereas, the proportion which Maryland is entitled to receive under the provisions of the said act of Congress, would if it could be made available at this time greatly relieve the people from the burdens under which they labor. Therefore,

Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland, That our Senators and Representatives in Congress, be, and they are hereby requested to call the attention of the General Government to