

terfere on the subject, they therefore recommend that the petitioners have leave to withdraw their petitions.

By order,

Isaac Hines, Clk.

Twice read and concurred with.

On motion by Mr. Merrick, the following order was read:

Ordered, That hereafter on a motion to postpone beyond the session any bill or resolution originating in this house, no debate shall be allowed, nor shall the bill or resolution or any document be read until the question is taken.

And the question put, That the house assent to the same? Determined in the negative.

Mr. Maxcy reports a bill, entitled, An act to pay the civil list, and other expenses of civil government; which was read.

Mr. Stevens delivers the following report:

The committee to whom was referred the examination of the bills and resolutions necessary to be acted upon at the present session report—

That they have separated the public bills to be acted upon, and have caused lists of the same to be made out; and have distinguished the local bills from the same, of which, from the smallness of their number, they did not consider it important specially to recommend any to the exclusive of others.

Which was read.

Mr. Chapman delivers the following report:

The committee to whom was referred the bill from the senate, entitled, An act for the more convenient taking of testimony and bail in civil cases in Baltimore county court report—That in the opinion of your committee this bill should pass without amendment.

Mr. Chapman from the committee of grievances and courts of justice, delivers the following report:

The committee of grievances and courts of justice to whom was referred the petition of John M. Gaither of Anne-Arundel county, report the following preamble and resolution:

Whereas a tract or parcel of land called Gaither's Collection, has been taken in execution by the sheriff of Anne-Arundel county, on a judgment obtained by the state of Maryland against Benjamin Gaither, late sheriff of said county, And whereas it hath been made appear to this general assembly that John M. Gaither of said county is equitably entitled to the said land, therefore,

Be it resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland, That all claim of the state against said land, be and the same is hereby relinquished and transferred to the said John M. Gaither, and that the sheriff of Anne-Arundel county be and he is hereby directed to release the same from the said execution; provided that this resolution shall not be construed to discharge the said Benjamin Gaither or his securities from the said judgment.

By order,

Wm. H. Emory, Clk.

The bill for the benefit of William Cord, of Cecil county; the supplement to an act, entitled, An act authorising commissioners to purchase a fire-engine for the use of the inhabitants of William's-port, in Washington county; the supplement to the act, entitled, An act to provide for the extension of Lombard-street in the city of Baltimore; the bill to establish free schools in Prince-George's county; the bill relating to the road lately located from Sharpsburg to Hager's Town, in