

Also, the bill, entitled, an act supplemental to an act, limiting the time for the collection of fees of attorneys, solicitors, clerks, registers, sheriffs, and other officers of this State, passed at December session, 1836, ch. 73, so far as relates to Montgomery county, endorsed, 'will pass with the proposed amendments,'

Which amendments were severally read the first time, and ordered to lie on the table.

Also, the bill, entitled, an act to authorise and require the clerk of Worcester county court, to record a deed therein mentioned, endorsed, 'will pass with the proposed amendment,'

Which amendment was read the first, and by special order the second time, assented to, and the bill ordered to be engrossed.

And, delivered a bill originated in and passed by the senate, entitled, an act to authorise James M. Selden, of Baltimore county, to bring into this State the several slaves therein named,

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

Also, a bill, entitled, an act to incorporate the Maryland and New York Iron and Coal Company,

Which was read and referred to the committee on corporations.

And, the following message,

By the Senate,

March 1st, 1838.

Gentlemen of the House of Delegates,

The Senate have passed, and herewith submit to your consideration a series of resolutions, reported by the committee of conference as declaratory of the rights of the citizens of Maryland over their fugitive slaves, and the basis of the measures which may be adopted to maintain them. If these resolutions should be concurred in by your honorable body, the Senate propose, with the consent of your honorable body, instead of the joint deputation (consisting of two gentlemen of the House and one of the Senate) as proposed by your honorable body and recommended by the committee, that a commissioner be appointed by His Excellency, the Governor, with the advice and consent of the Senate, to repair to Harrisburg, to procure the dismissal of the prosecution against Nathan S. Bemis and others, or make such arrangements as may be necessary to refer the questions involved to the Supreme Court of the United States, without compromising the liberty of the accused, before a decision is had therein, and obtain such modification of the laws of Pennsylvania as will preserve the rights of slave-holders, and cherish good will between the two States.

By order,

Joseph H. Nicholson, clerk.

Which was read.

On motion of Mr. Orrick,

The house took up for consideration the amendments proposed by the senate to the bill reported by him, entitled, an act to authorise the commissioners of Baltimore county to build a bridge over the Great Falls of Gunpowder, where the county road leading from Middletown to the Falls road crosses said Falls in Baltimore county.