

Which amendment was read, and with the bill was ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Heath offered the following resolution, which was read the first time. Resolved by the general assembly of Maryland, that the register of the court of chancery be, and he is hereby authorised and directed to prepare as soon as practicable a good and sufficient index to the records in his office from the year 1786 to the year 1821 both inclusive giving in the same in alphabetical order, the names of both complainants and defendants.

Mr. Dennis from the committee made a favourable report upon the bill to authorise George Parker senior, to remove a negro boy from the State of Delaware to this State, the said bill was then read a second time.

The clerk of the house of delegates delivered a bill to empower the levy court of Kent county to grant relief to indigent persons of said county, which was read the first time, and referred to Messrs. Rees, Harrison and Dennis,

Mr. Kennedy offered the following message, which was read, assented to, and sent to the house of delegates.

By the Senate January. 31, 1828.

Gentlemen of the House Delegates,

As the several public laws have already passed, and as it is of great importance that those laws should be immediately made known to our fellow-citizens, we propose that the joint committee of both houses heretofore appointed to contract for the printing of the laws, which may be passed should hold a conference to determine the course best calculated to give immediate publicity to all laws of a public nature as early after they have passed both houses, as is possible.

By order,

Wm. Kilty, Clerk.

Mr. Thomas from the committee made a favourable report upon the bill to extend the time now allowed by law, to Isaac Hooper, late collector of Calvert county to complete his collections, which was read a second time amended on motion of Mr. Forrest, by inserting after the word "security" in the 3d line of the 2d section, the words "to be approved of by one of the Judges of the third judicial district," and recommitted.