

Mr. Baer, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act to build a market-house in Bentz-town, an addition to Frederick-town, and for the regulation of the said market; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a supplement to an act, entitled, An act to regulate public roads in this state, and to repeal such parts of said act as relate to Somerset county. ORDERED, That Mr. Carroll, Mr. Gale and Mr. Nutter, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

The report on the petition of sundry inhabitants of the town of Cumberland, in Allegany county, was read the second time, and the question put, That the house concur therewith? The yeas and nays being required, appeared as follow:

	A F F I R M A T I V E.					
Mef. Hall,	T. Worthington,	Corbin,	Shriver,	Oneale,	Beall.	7.
M. Mackall,						
	N E G A T I V E.					
Messieurs	W. Thomas,	Brome,	Gale,	Robertson,	C. Frazier,	Winchester,
	Hopewell,	Chefley,	Carroll,	Hollingsworth,	Brother,	M'Meichen,
	Spencer,	Digges,	Nutter,	Gilpin,	J. Bond,	Ringgold,
	Barroll,	Ridgely,	Hyland,	R. Bond,	Montgomery,	Jacques,
	Pinkney,	Merryman,	S. Frazier,	T. Bowie,	M'Comas,	Davis,
	J. Worthington,	Roberts,	Steele,	Quynn,	Mitchell,	Burgess,
	Ridou,	Sherwood,	Craig,	O'Bryon,	Downes,	J. Johnson. 42.

So it was determined in the negative.

A petition from William Smith, and others, of Montgomery county, counter to the petition of Anne Perry, was preferred, read, and referred to the committee on the said petition.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a bill relating to the public roads in Washington county. ORDERED, That Mr. Ringgold, Mr. Jacques and Mr. J. Johnson, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

Mr. Mackall has leave of absence.

Mr. Hopewell, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act to prevent vexatious and unnecessary suits at law; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

On the second reading the said bill, the question was put, That the following clause be received as an amendment? "And all costs and expences arising from making such demand shall be assessed in damages and recovered by the plaintiff." Resolved in the affirmative.

The bill being read throughout, the question was put, That the said bill do pass? Determined in the negative.

The bill to build a market-house in Bentz-town, an addition to Frederick-town, and for the regulation of the said market, was read the second time by especial order and passed.

Mr. Joshua Clarke, a delegate returned for Caroline county, appeared, and after qualifying in the mode prescribed by the constitution and form of government, and taking the oath to support the constitution of the United States, took his seat in the house.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a supplement to an act, entitled, An act to prevent sheep and swine from going at large in the town of Cumberland, in Allegany county. ORDERED, That Mr. Key, Mr. J. Johnson and Mr. Oneale, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

Mr. Key, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act concerning the judiciary of this state; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Davis, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker the following report:

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of Beall and Lackland, and the counter petition of sundry inhabitants of Montgomery county, report, that upon examination thereof, and consideration of the plots and other evidence submitted to them, they cannot determine whether any interference of the legislature ought to be had. The contradictory nature of the petitions, and the evidence in support of each, creates doubts which can only be removed by an inspection of the ground on which the roads pass, and it is almost impossible for the legislature to obtain the information requisite to a just decision. Their interference ought to be founded on a thorough conviction of the public utility, and the variety of means by which private interest may be coloured to deceive into an opinion different from the truth of the case, the inconveniences which may result to the legislature from establishing a precedent, and the impracticability of their obtaining full evidence at the bar of the house, induce them to submit the propriety of appointing commissioners, disinterested as to the said roads, to examine and report thereon to the next county court for the county aforesaid. All which is submitted.

By order,

J. O'BRYON, 3d. clk.

Which was read.

Mr. Merryman, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker the following report:

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of Thomas C. Deye, report, that upon consideration thereof, and examination of the plot submitted to them, are of opinion that it would be proper to decide the propriety of granting the prayer of his petition on a second reading thereof in the house, and that he should have an opportunity to be heard at the bar of the house, in person or by counsel, in support thereof. All which is submitted.

By order,

J. O'BRYON, 3d. clk.

Which was read.