

By Mr. Steuart of Baltimore, the petition of Emelie Berteau, of the city of Baltimore, praying for an act divorcing her from her husband Peter Berteau.

By Mr. Martin, the petition of Mary Harris, of Talbot county, praying for an act divorcing her from her husband Nicholas C. Harris.

Ordered, That the three last mentioned petitions be severally referred to the standing committee on divorces.

By Mr. Semmes, the memorial and petition of sundry citizens of Prince-George's county, praying that the selling of spirituous liquors, without license, may be made a Penitentiary offence; which was referred to the committee on crimes and punishments.

By Mr. Hooper, the petition of Charles Farrow, keeper of the public gaol in Worcester county, praying for a law providing compensation for his trouble, and reimbursement of his expenditures, in taking care of, and victualling, certain negroes confined therein, who have petitioned for freedom; which was referred to the committee on grievances and courts of justice.

By Mr. Ely, the memorial of sundry citizens of Baltimore county, praying for an amendment of the laws of this state, in respect to licenses granted to keepers of ordinaries, retailers of spirituous liquors, dry goods and merchandise; which was referred to the committee on ways and means. And,

By Mr. Orrell, the petition of sundry inhabitants of Caroline county, praying for a law authorising the alteration of a public road therein mentioned, for the purpose of straightening and improving the same; which was referred to a select committee of five, consisting of Messrs. Orrrell, Goldsborough, Potter, Douglas of Caroline, and Douglas of Dorchester.

On motion by Mr. Ely, it was Ordered, That the memorial of John Tolly Worthington, and others, of Baltimore county, relative to an act of assembly passed at Dec. session 1815, authorising a lottery for the erection of a church in said county, which had been referred by the senate to the consideration of this house, and was read, and laid on the table on the second ultimo, be referred to a select committee of five, consisting of Messrs. Ely, Steuart of Baltimore, Price, Turner, and Shower.

On motion by Mr. Martin, it was,

Ordered, That the governor be requested to lay before this house, at as early a day as practicable, the number of days each member of the council has attended in the council chamber, since the first Monday in January 1826, designating the several adjournments of that body, and the number of days each member attended at each adjournment.

Mr. Thomas of Frederick, chairman of the committee therein mentioned, delivered the following report; which was read, and ordered to lie on the table, viz.