

Leave was granted committee on the Judiciary to introduce a bill to provide for the relief of the securities of Alexander Knott, late sheriff of Caroline county.

Mr. Goldsborough presented the petition of sundry citizens asking for relief of the security of Alexander Knott, late sheriff of Caroline county ;

Which was referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Gordon, from the majority of the committee on the Judiciary, reported unfavorably upon a bill entitled an act to repeal section forty-nine of article sixty-six, in relation to free negroes remaining out of the State more than thirty days, and section fifty of the same article, in relation to the granting of permits by the Orphans' Courts to free negroes to remain out of and return into this State for a period longer than thirty days.

Mr. Chaplain, from the minority of the Judiciary Committee, made a favorable report upon the bill entitled, an act to amend the forty-ninth and fiftieth sections relating to free negroes, of Article LXVIth of the Code of Public General Laws, and moved to substitute it for the majority report.

Mr. Pitts moved to recommit the bills.

Pending the consideration of which,

Mr. Brining moved the previous question ;

Which was sustained.

The question then being, "shall the main question be now put?"

It was sustained.

The question then recurred upon recommitting the bills,

It was concurred in, and the bills re-committed.

Mr. Chaplain offered the following :

Ordered, That it be entered upon the journal that Mr. Jones, of Talbot, is detained from the deliberations of this House, by sickness in his family ;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Maxwell, from the committee on Claims, reported favorably upon a bill entitled, an act appropriating a sum of money to pay Samuel J. Pentz, (owner of the steamer Pioneer,) William H. Hamilton, John Bird, J. C. Bush, James Cook, William Lynch, John Bradshaw and E. S. Thomas ;

Which was read the first time.

On motion of Mr. Maxwell,

The bill was ordered to a second reading.