

Messrs. Stone, Thomas, Wright, Duvall, Daniel, Grove and Stewart.

Mr. Partridge submitted the following order:

Ordered, That a Special Committee of three be appointed to inquire whether any action or legislation be required for the preservation, repair, security, and keeping in order of the State House and Public Buildings belonging to the State at the seat of Government, and referred to Messrs. Partridge, Dorsey and Davis.

Mr. Davis, chairman of the Committee on Agriculture, reported a bill, entitled, an act for the protection of sheep by taxing dogs, with the following amendment:

Amend section 1, line 17, by striking out the words "also to pay," and insert, "the Commissions of said county are hereby authorized, in their discretion, to pay out of the fund arising under the provisions of this act, the awards, &c."

The Secretary of the Senate returned the following:

An amendment to resolutions of January 18th, 1856;

A bill entitled an act supplemental to the several acts relating to the powers and duties of the Board of Primary Education of Worcester county;

A bill entitled, an act to change the name of Henry Schley, of Baltimore city, to Benjamin Henry Schley;

A bill entitled, an act to incorporate the Somerset and Worcester Savings Bank;

A bill entitled, an act to make valid a deed of manumission from Thomas Lord to negress Caroline;

And delivered a bill entitled, an act to authorise the County Commissioners of Harford county to sell or manumit certain negro slaves belonging to said county;

Which was read the first time, and referred to Messrs. Duvall, Silver and Jarrett.

Mr. Partridge, chairman of the Committee on the Judiciary, reported favorably on a bill entitled an act to prohibit the Clerks of the several Circuit Courts of the counties of this State, and the Superior Court of the City of Baltimore from issuing licenses to join in marriage males under the age of twenty one years, and females under the age of sixteen years, without the consent of the parent or guardian of such persons.

Also, a bill entitled, an act for amending proceedings in the Land Office.

Also, a bill entitled, an act relating to masters of vessels, sailors and apprentices.