

Which was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Davis presented a petition of M. Keefer, and 115 other citizens of Frederick county, praying for the repeal of the law, known as the stamp act.

Which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. Kennedy from the Committee on Ways and Means reported favorably on a bill entitled an act relating to fines, forfeitures and penalties, &c.;

Was read the first time.

Mr. Sudler from the Committee on colored population reported favorably on a bill entitled an act to amend and explain an act relating to free negroes in Kent, Cecil, and Queen Anne's counties passed at December Session 1849, chapter 538;

Was read the first time.

Mr. Merrick from the Select Committee reported favorably on a bill entitled, an act to authorise the County Commissioners of Charles county, to levy a sum of money for the repairs of the courthouse of said county;

Was read the first time.

Also on a bill entitled, an act to authorise the county commissioners of Charles county to sell and dispose of certain warehouse property in said county;

Was read the first time.

Mr. Sudler from the Select Committee reported favorably on a bill entitled, an act to repeal an act passed at January Session, 1854, chapter 262 entitled an act imposing a tax on dogs to protect the raising of sheep in Kent county;

Was read the first time.

Also a bill entitled an act to authorise the Orphans' Court of Kent county, and Justices of Peace, binding out negro children to regulate freedom dues to the apprentices and secure a compensation to the parents or other persons for raising such children;

Was read the first time.

Also a bill entitled, an act to authorise the County Commissioners of Kent county to make, establish, alter, and clear public landing places of said county;

Was read the first time.

Also a bill entitled, an act to rehear and re-examine the question of damages on the road to Mrs. Ann Brown's landing;

Was read the first time.