

Also, a bill entitled, an act to extend the provisions of the act of 1854, chapter 273;

Which was read the first time, and referred to the committee on colored population.

Also, a bill entitled, an act to continue in force the act of 1854, chapter 216;

Which was read the first time, and referred to Messrs. Frazier, Thomas and Dail.

Also, a bill entitled, an act to authorize the commissioners appointed under the act of 1820, chapter 191, to compel the purchasers at their sales to comply with the terms of sale;

Which was read the first time, and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

The hour for the order of the day having arrived,

A bill entitled, an act to incorporate the Columbia and Port Deposit Railroad Company;

On motion of Mr. Silver,

The said bill was recommitted to the Committee on Internal Improvements with the instruction to report on Saturday the 23rd instant.

A bill entitled, an act to incorporate the stockholders of the Anne Arundel county Academy;

Was read the second time.

M. Hall offered the following message:

*By the House of Delegates,*

February 21st, 1856.

*Gentlemen of the Senate:*

We have received the message of your Honorable Body proposing the appointment of a Joint Committee to examine the accounts of the Treasurer of Maryland, in regard to the investments for the benefit of the sinking fund, the disposition of the bonds or certificates of debt issued by the State and report any suggestions or recommendations they may deem best for the accomplishment of the objects therein proposed and respectfully concur therein.

We have appointed Messrs. Hall, and Frazier, Bowie, to join the gentlemen already appointed by your Honorable Body.

By order,

THOMAS H. KENT, of Jos., Clerk.