

COLORED POPULATION—

A bill reported entitled an act to prevent free negroes and slaves having and using boats on the Potomac river, 471; bill passed and sent to the Senate, 812.

Order adopted that the committee on, be requested to inquire into the expediency of the passage of a law to sell the free and slave negroes now confined in the Maryland Penitentiary, out of the State; the slaves for life, and the free ones for the term they have to serve, the proceeds of the slaves to go to the counties from whence they came, and the free ones into the treasury of the State, 618.

A bill reported entitled an act for the sale of all negroes and mulattoes, slaves and free, who are convicted and confined in the Maryland Penitentiary, 683.

A bill from the Senate entitled an act to extend the provisions of an act passed at January session, 1854, chapter 273, entitled an act to provide a remedy against free negroes who may hire, &c., 766; bill passed and returned to the Senate, 766.

Petition of A. T. Dublin for permission to bring certain slaves from Virginia into this State, referred, 28.

Petition to allow Thomas Warfield and family to return to this State, 29; bill reported, 248; bill passed, 475, bill rejected by the Senate, 608, 736, 737.

A bill reported entitled an act amendatory of an act passed at January session, 1853, chapter 194, entitled an act for the better protection of slaveholders in the several counties therein mentioned, 49; re-committed, 104; bill passed and sent to the Senate, 589.

Leave to bring in a bill to permit persons in Worcester county, to hire out free negro or mulatto apprentices, subject to the approval of the Orphans' Court, 70; bill reported, 80; referred, *ib.*; enacting clause stricken out, 137.

Petition of H. H. Lockwood, of Anne Arundel county for leave to bring into this State a negro boy belonging to him, referred, 97.