

lature to a bequest made in the last will and testament of Leah Gale, late of Cecil county, deceased, for the support of a minister of the Protestant Episcopal Church, at St. Mark's Chapel, in said county.

Mr. Wickes, from a select committee, reported favorably on a bill entitled, an act to authorise the agents or officers of corporations to make affidavit to the consideration of mortgages and bills of sale;

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Rohrer, from a select committee, reported favorably on a bill entitled, an act to legalize the election and acts of the present Burgess, assistant Burgess, and commissioners of the town of Boonsboro', in Washington county;

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Allender, from a select committee, reported a bill entitled, an act to establish a uniform system of Public Education in the State of Maryland;

Which was read the first time, and

Mr. Allender moved that said bill be referred to the committee on Education, and that 500 extra copies be printed;

Determined in the negative.

Mr. Alexander moved that 200 copies be printed,

Determined in the negative.

Mr. Stirling moved that 100 copies be printed,

Determined in the negative.

Mr. Stirling moved that said bill be referred to the committee on Education;

Determined in the affirmative.

The Secretary of the Senate delivered the following messages:

By the Senate,
January 29th, 1858.

Gentlemen of the House of Delegates:

We have received your message proposing the appointment of a joint committee to examine certain unrecorded plats and certificates of survey in the Land Office of Maryland, with the view of having them recorded if necessary, and to report by bill or otherwise, and concur therein. The chair has appointed Messrs. Graham, Franklin and Smith, on the part of the Senate.

By order,

C. HARWOOD,

Secretary.