

titled, an act to simplify and abridge the rules and forms of conveyances;

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Magruder, from the committee on Judiciary, reported favorably on the Senate bill entitled, a supplement to an act to amend and modify the present Primary School system of Charles county, passed March 10, 1854.

Mr. Alexander, from the committee on Judiciary, reported favorably on a bill entitled, an act to prohibit the courts of this State, and the judges and clerks thereof, from receiving declarations of intention to become citizens of the United States, and from granting certificates of naturalization;

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Richardson, from the committee on Pensions, reported favorably on a bill entitled, an act to authorise the Comptroller of the State to pay the balance of a pension therein mentioned;

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Alexander, from the committee on Judiciary, reported favorably on a bill entitled, an act to cure the defective acknowledgment of a deed from Charles G. Ogden to James P. Hartley, bearing date on the 26th day of April, 1854, and to make valid the recording of the same as though it had been recorded according to law;

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Alexander, from the committee on Judiciary, reported favorably on a bill entitled, an act amendatory of the act passed January session, 1856, chapter 353, entitled, an act to raise additional revenue to pay the debts of the State, by increasing the rates of license to ordinary keepers and traders; allowing the oath or affirmation of the applicant required by the said original act, to be made before a justice of the peace in the several counties of this State;

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Harrington, from the committee on Corporations, reported favorably on a bill entitled, an act to incorporate the Maryland Mutual Life and Fire Insurance Company.

Mr. Ford, of Baltimore county, from a select committee, reported favorably on a bill entitled, an act amendatory of an act passed January session, 1856, chapter 299, entitled, an act requiring Joshua H. Hynes, Samuel P. Storm and Pleasant Hunter, late Sheriffs of Baltimore county, to make statements to the Comptroller, of the amount of State taxes due from them, and to pay the same into the treasury at such times and on such conditions as are therein provided.