act to establish magistrates' courts in the several counties of this State, and to prescribe their jurisdiction.

On motion of Mr. Fleming,

Leave was granted to Messrs. Fleming, Handy of Somerset, Rider, Lankford, Taylor, Holland, Hearn and Handy of Worcester, to bring in a bill to provide for the better protection of the ferry boat plying on the Pocomoke river at Stephen's ferry.

The rule being suspended,

Mr. Handy of Somerset, presented the memorial of William W. Handy of Somerset county;

Read and referred to Messrs. Handy of Somerset, Rider, Flem-

ing and Langford.

Mr. Crain from the committee on Grievances and Courts of Justice, reported a bill entitled, a supplement to an act entitled, an act regulating writs and granting appeals to the Court of Appeals;

Read the first and by special order the second time, passed and

sent to the Senate.

Mr. Gallagher, chairman of the committee on Corporations, reported the following bills:

A bill entitled, an act to incorporate the Equitable Life Insur-

ance Society of Baltimore.

A bill entitled, an act to incorporate the German Tailors Benecial Society of the city of Baltimore.

And a bill entitled, an act to provide for the extension of the charter of the Frederick Town Saving Institution;

Severally read the first time.

The rule being suspended, Mr. Janney presented the petition of sundry citizens of Cecil county, praying an amendment of the law for the inspection of lumber at Port Deposite in said county.

Read and referred to Messrs. Janney, Lackland, Simpers and

Crookshanks.

Mr. Hammond, chairman of the committee on Grievances and Courts of Justice, to which was referred the bill from the Senate entitled, an act to confirm and make valid a certain deed therein mentioned, reported that the said bill ought not to pass;

Read the first time.

Also, as chairman of the same committee, to which was referred the bill from the Senate entitled, a further supplement to the act entitled, an act to establish magistrates' courts in the several counties of this State, and to prescribe their jurisdiction, passed December session 1835, chapter 201, reported that the said committee had had the same under consideration, and had instructed him to ask to be discharged therefrom;

Which was read and concurred in. On motion of Mr. Hammond,

Ordered, That the said bill be referred to Messrs. Richardson, Lynch, Crampton and McKeehan.