

county, praying the passage of a law to create a new election district ;

Read and referred to the select committee already raised on that subject.

Mr. Holland presented the petition of David Richardson, of Worcester county, praying a release from a forfeiture of recognisance therein named ;

Read the first time and referred to the committee on Grievances and Courts of Justice.

Mr. Hopkins presented the petition of 76 citizens of Havre de Grace, praying the passage of a law to prevent the use of decoy ducks ;

Read and referred to Messrs. Hopkins, Butler, Yellott and Jarrett.

Mr. Hammond presented the memorial of John S. Williams and others, praying that the tax payers of Howard District, may be allowed, within a time named, to pay their taxes to the commissioners of said district, and to have the cost of collection deducted therefrom ;

Read and referred to Messrs. Hammond, Clarke, Owens, Dorsey and Murray.

Mr. Buskirk presented the petition of sundry citizens of the town of Cumberland, praying the passage of a law to authorise the sale of a certain lot in said town ;

Read and referred to Messrs. Buskirk, Neff, Pickell and Buchanan.

On motion of Mr. Sherwood of Caroline,

Leave was granted to Messrs. Sherwood of Caroline, Thawley and Nicols, to bring in a bill to grant John R. K. Horney, further time to complete his collections, as late collector of Caroline county.

On motion of Mr. Lankford,

Leave was granted to Messrs. Lankford, Rider, Fleming and Handy of Somerset, to bring in a bill to incorporate the Presbyterian Church of Rehoboth, in Somerset county.

And to bring in a bill in reference to the better regulation of common schools of Somerset county.

Mr. Lecompte of Carroll submitted the following order:

Ordered, That the committee on Ways and Means, inquire into the propriety of imposing a tax of 25 per cent. on the per diem allowance of members of the General Assembly, to go towards the payment of the interest of the State debt.

Which was read.

On motion of Mr. Nicols,

The following amendment to said order was read and assented to :

Insert after the words "General Assembly" the following, "and of all other officers of the State government."

On motion of Mr. Powder,