

Griffith, Dade, Kilgour, Worthington, Buskirk, Pickell, Neff, Brown, Powder, Lecompte of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker.

The Journal of yesterday was read.

Mr. Gallagher presented the memorial of the Second German Beneficial Society of Maryland, praying for an act of incorporation ;

Read and referred to the committee on Corporations.

The rule being suspended.

On motion of Mr. Causin,

Ordered, That the committee on Ways and Means be instructed to inquire into the expediency of laying a tax upon all legacies and distributive shares, and all sums of money paid into the Court of Chancery, or county courts acting as courts of equity, or received by trustees and distributable under the decrees of said courts, and upon all sums of money received by heirs when land is sold under the act to direct descents, and to make report by bill or otherwise to this House.

On motion of Mr. Brown,

Leave was granted to Messrs. Brown, Shaw, Lecompte of Carroll, and Powder, to bring in a bill to incorporate the Freedom Academy, in Carroll county.

On motion of Mr. Handy of Somerset,

Leave was granted to Messrs. Handy of Somerset, Rider, Fleming and Lankford, to bring in a bill to allow John N. Bowland, former sheriff and collector of Somerset county, further time to complete his collections.

On motion of Mr. Harne,

Leave was granted to Messrs. Harne, Weber, Boteler, Nesbitt and Grove, to bring in a bill quieting possession to real estate in Washington county.

On motion of Mr. Holland,

Leave was granted to Messrs. Holland, Handy of Worcester, Hearn and Taylor, to bring in a bill requiring the commissioners of Worcester county to allow a specified sum per annum to their clerk or clerks, which they shall hereafter employ.

On motion of Mr. Rasin,

Ordered, That the committee on Agriculture be instructed to inquire into the propriety of reducing the standard of wheat, and they be requested to report by bill or otherwise.

On motion of Mr. Spence,

Leave was granted to Messrs. Spence, Springer and Gallagher, to bring in a supplement to an act entitled, an act to establish pilots, and regulate their fees.

Mr. Spence submitted the following resolution :

Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the Adjutant General of this State be, and he is hereby directed to furnish Captain Archer Ropes, Captain of the Maryland Cadets, of the city of Baltimore, fifty artillery swords, one brass field piece, Cannon mounted and fully equipped, on condition that the said