

Leave was granted to Messrs. Crain, Brawner and Freeman, to bring in a bill to give justices of the peace of Charles county, concurrent jurisdiction with the magistrates' courts of said county, in all actions on bonds, single bills, promissory notes and accounts.

Mr. Nicols made the following report:

The select committee, to whom was referred the petition of Bromwell Andrew and William R. Andrew, of Caroline county, praying the passage of an act to make valid their title to a certain tract of land therein named, beg leave to report, that they have had said petition under consideration, and are of opinion that the petitioners already have a good title thereto by long and undisputed possession, and therefore, no legislation being necessary in the premises, the petitioners have leave to withdraw their petition.

Which was read and concurred in.

Mr. Handy of Somerset reported a bill entitled, an act for the relief of John N. Bowland, former sheriff and collector of Somerset county;

Mr. Spence reported a bill entitled, on act supplementary to an act, vesting certain powers in Baltimore county court, passed at December session 1833;

Mr. Sherwood of Caroline reported a bill entitled, an act to allow John R. K. Horney, late collector of Caroline county, further time to complete his collections;

Which were severally read the first and by special order the second time, passed and sent to the Senate.

Mr. Graves reported a bill entitled, an act to authorise William Poe of Baltimore city, to hold and retain in this State a negro girl, Juliet;

Read the first time and referred to the committee on Colored Population.

Mr. Green submitted the following order:

Ordered, That the committee on Grievances and Courts of Justice be directed to inquire into the expediency of reducing the number of grand and petit jurors in the several counties of this State, and they be and are hereby directed to report to this House by bill or otherwise;

Which was read.

On the question being put,

Will the House adopt the said order?

It was determined in the negative.

On motion of Mr. Weber,

Leave was granted to withdraw from the files of the last House of Delegates the petition of Walter W. Nalley, of Washington county, praying for an act to authorise and empower him to sell and convey certain real estate therein mentioned.

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