

ember session 1838, chapter 197, for draining Deptford's branch ;

Read and referred to Messrs. Clemments, Dunbracco and Roberts.

Mr. Thawley presented the petition of the trustees of the primary school district No. 3, in the upper district of Caroline county ;

Read and referred to Messrs. Thawley, Sherwood of Caroline and Nicols.

Mr. Handy of Somerset presented the petition of Ailcey Wright, a free woman of color of the city of Washington ;

Read and referred to the committee on Colored Population.

On motion of Mr. Buskirk,

Ordered, That a motion to postpone any business to suspend a rule of the House or take up a bill, shall be decided without debate.

On motion of Mr. Grove,

Leave was granted to Messrs. Grove, Weber, Harne, Nesbit and Boteler, to bring in a bill to permit David R. Miller, of Washington county, to bring a negro man into this State.

Mr. Powder presented the petition of thirty-three citizens of Carroll county, of both parties, asking a repeal of the agency law of 1840, a postponement of the time of payment of the taxes for 1843, until the year 1844, a reduction of the salaries of the officers of the internal improvement companies, and a re-organization of the judiciary system of Maryland ;

Read and referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. Buchanan presented the petition of sundry citizens of Allegany county, praying the repeal of certain sections of a law passed during the present session of the Legislature, on the subject of the National road ;

Read and referred to the committee on Internal Improvement ;

And the petition of fifty-one citizens of Allegany county, praying that real and personal property in this State, shall not be sold under execution, unless it will bring at least two-thirds of its appraised value ;

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

Mr. Owens presented the petition of William S. Green, clerk of Anne Arundel county court, asking remuneration for services rendered, and therein mentioned ;

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

Mr. Handy of Somerset, presented the petition of sundry citizens of Somerset county, praying for a stay of executions ;

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

The Speaker laid before the House a communication from the Baltimore and Ohio Rail Road Company, in answer to the order of the House of the 28th ultimo ;

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Which was read.