

of the Governor to issue his proclamation, declaring the fact, from and after which this act shall be valid and effectual; but if, from said return it shall appear, that there is not a majority of the voters of said county in favor of electing said commissioners by the people, then this act and every part thereof, shall be utterly null and void, and no election of commissioners shall be held by virtue of the same."

Which were read, and

On motion of Mr. Brown,

Referred to Messrs. Brown, Powder, Lecompte of Carroll and Shaw.

The bill entitled, a further supplement to the act of 1835, chapter 201, so far as the same relates to Harford county;

Endorsed "will pass with the proposed amendment."

Amendment proposed:

Add as an additional section:

"And be it enacted, that to subserve the public convenience, and to give the citizen his election of tribunals in cases of contest, and not to force him against his consent into the district courts, that hereafter in all cases of attachment, replevin, trover, and in all cases for unliquidated damages, the jurisdiction of the said district court shall not be exclusive, but concurrent with the county court; and it is further declared, that the right of appealing from the decision of a justice of the peace to the said district court, is hereby repealed."

Which was read and assented to, and the bill ordered to be engrossed.

The bill entitled, an act supplementary to an act for the protection of mechanics and others in Allegany county, passed December session 1841, chapter 76;

Endorsed, "will pass with the proposed amendments."

Amendments proposed:

Add as additional sections;

"Section 2. And be it enacted, That the seventh section of the original act be, and the same is hereby repealed.

"Section 3. And be it enacted, That the proceedings to recover the amount of any claim under and in virtue of the original act, shall be by writ of scire facias, in the following form, viz:

"*Allegany County, Ss:* The State of Maryland to the sheriff of said county, greeting:—Whereas, hath filed a claim in the court for the county of Allegany, against

for the sum of                      for (work done or materials furnished, as the case may be) to or for a certain building, to wit: (describing it as in the claim) and whereas, it is alledged that the said sum still remains due and unpaid to the said                      Now we command you, that you make known to the said                      and to all such persons as may hold or occupy the said building, that they be and appear before the judges of our said court, at a court to be held at the town of Cumberland, on the                      Monday of