

Also, the petition of Sarah Stansbury, widow of John Stansbury, a marine in the navy of the revolution, praying for a pension ;

Which were severally read, and referred to the committee on revolutionary claims to be hereafter appointed.

Mr. Winder asked and obtained leave to bring in a bill to be entitled, an act to alter the laws relative to catching or taking oysters within the waters of the State of Maryland ;

Which was referred to a select committee consisting of Messrs. Winder, Long, Dalrymple, Martin and Seidenstricker.

Mr. Mason asked and obtained leave to introduce a bill, entitled, an act for the benefit of James Bard, of Pennsylvania ;

Which was referred to a select committee of three, consisting of Messrs. Mason, Keppler and Newcomer.

Mr. Graves asked and obtained leave to bring in a bill, to amend or repeal the several acts relating to the City Court of Baltimore, and for the re-organization of said court, as well as for the more prompt administration of justice ;

Which was referred to a select committee of three, consisting of Messrs. Graves, Seidenstricker and Giles.

Mr. Biser asked and obtained leave to bring in a bill to regulate the compensation of County Surveyor in Frederick county ;

Which was referred to the Frederick county delegation.

Mr. Holmes asked and obtained leave to bring in a bill to pay jurors in Baltimore for removed cases from Harford county; and other purposes ;

Which was referred to a select committee of three, consisting of Messrs. Holmes, Hope and Welsh of Baltimore county.

Mr. Potter asked and obtained leave to bring in a bill, entitled, an act to elect the levy court of Caroline county by the people ;

Which was referred to the Caroline county delegation.

Mr. Owens submitted the following message, which was assented to and sent to the Senate :

By the House of Delegates,
January 1, 1840.

Gentlemen of the Senate :

We propose with the concurrence of your honorable body, to appoint a joint committee on the Library, and have nominated Messrs. Owens, Giles and Cottman on the part of this house, to act with such gentlemen as may be selected by your honorable body to carry into effect the several enactments in relation to that institution.

By order,

John Nick. Watkins, Clk.

Mr. Gallagher asked and obtained leave to report a bill to repeal an act, entitled, an act to guard against fraud in the elective franchise in the city of Baltimore, and to secure the rights of voters, and to establish with greater certainty the rules of evidence to be observed at all elections in said city, passed at December session 1837, chapter 333, commonly called "the Registry Law;"

Which was referred to the Baltimore delegation.