

entitled, an act to divide St. Mary's County into schools districts and to erect school houses therein;

Read the second time by special order and assented to.

On motion of Mr. Berry,

The house took up for consideration the bill from the senate entitled, a supplement to an act entitled, an act to amend the constitution and form of government so far as relates to the division of Allegany county, into election districts, and to establish an additional election district;

Read the second time by special order and will pass.

On motion of Mr. Risteau,

The house took up for consideration the bill entitled, an act for the better regulation of private roads in this State.

On motion of Mr. England,

Said bill was amended by inserting after the word "state" in the 3d line, the following: "as to give the person or persons a prescriptive right of way over the same who may have so used it,"

On the question being put: shall the bill pass?

Determined in the affirmative.

The house then took up for consideration the order of the day being the bill entitled, an act to provide for taking the vote of the people of this State, as to the expediency of calling a convention to reform the present and frame a new constitution, and to amend the constitution so as to enable the legislature to call such convention.

On motion of Mr. Ridgely,

The house was called and the door-keeper sent after the absent members in the city.

On motion of Mr. Ridgely,

The house proceeded with the ordinary business of the session, in the absence of the door-keeper.

The rule being suspended,

On motion of Mr. England,

The house took up for consideration the bill entitled, a supplement to the act relating to mortgages; this bill the committee on grievances and courts of justice had reported unfavorably on.

On motion of Mr. England,

The bill offered by him was adopted as a substitute for the unfavorable report of the committee.

The question being put on the passage of said bill;

It was determined in the affirmative.

The door-keeper returned and reported that he had notified the absent members in the city that their attendance was required in the house.

The house resumed the consideration of the bill to provide for calling a convention.

The question being on the amendment offered by Mr. Gaither to the substitute offered by Mr. Mason.

On motion of Mr. Ridgely,