

Mr. Maccubbin reported a bill entitled, a further supplement to the act relating to the inspection of tobacco in Prince George's county;

Read the first time and laid on the table.

Mr. Bowling submitted the following message, which was read, assented to and sent to the senate:

*By the House of Delegates,*

*March 16th, 1840.*

*Gentlemen of the Senate:*

We return herewith the bill entitled, an act for the erection of a bridge and causeway across Swanson's Creek, near McPherson's mill, with your amendments thereto, disagreed to by this house; we ask the favor of a reconsideration thereof by your honorable body.

Mr. Maccubbin, from the select committee to whom was referred the bill from the senate entitled, an act to authorise the erection of a bridge across Mattawoman Swamp, between Charles and Prince George's counties, reported favorably thereon;

Read the first time and laid on the table.

Mr. Welch, of Annapolis, reported a bill entitled, an act to authorise the construction of a Town Hall and Market House in the city of Annapolis, and to raise a sum of money to purchase a fire Engine Hose and apparatus for the security of the public and other property in the said city;

Read the first time and laid on the table.

Mr. Newman reported a bill entitled, an act relative to James Percy of Allegany county, and the Cumberland road;

Read the first time and laid on the table.

Mr. Waters, from the select committee to whom was referred the bill from the senate, entitled, an act for the benefit of Rockville Academy, reported unfavorably thereon;

Read the first time and laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Dalrymple,

The house took up for consideration the bill from the senate, entitled, an act to exempt from taxation the property of the Protestant Episcopal Churches in Calvert county;

Read the second time by special order and will pass, with the proposed amendment, and returned to the senate.

Between the words "of" and "taxes" insert "county."

The house then took up for consideration bills and resolutions in order entitled to a second reading.

The first in order is the bill entitled, an act to authorise the trustees for the poor of Baltimore city and county to bind out certain vagrant children;

Read the second time.

On motion of Mr. Le Grand,

Said bill was laid on the table.

The next in order is the bill entitled, an act for the benefit of the heirs of Doctor Thomas Parran, surgeon in the revolutionary war.

Read the second time, passed and sent to the senate.