

FRIDAY, January 10th, 1840.

The house met. Present the same members as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read.

Mr. Poultney presented the memorial of Catharine Cook, praying for an act authorising her to convey certain land :

Read and referred to Messrs. Poultney, Stansbury and Welsh of Baltimore county.

Mr. Gallagher presented the memorial of Joseph Leddel, praying for a divorce from his wife Sarah Leddel ;

Read and referred to the committee on divorces.

Mr. Cameron presented the memorial of Hugh Kilpatrick, of Cecil county, praying the legislature to pass a law authorising the commissioners of said county to place him on the pension list ;

Read and referred to the committee on indigent persons, by county assessment.

Mr. Ridgely presented the petition of Samuel Whiteford of Anne Arundel county, praying for a divorce from his wife Elizabeth Whiteford ;

Read and referred to the committee on divorces.

Mr. Welch of Annapolis, presented the memorial of William Brewer, of the city of Annapolis, praying that a law may be passed authorising him to manumit a certain negro slave therein named ;

Read and referred to the committee on the colored population.

On motion of Mr. Foard,

The house took up for consideration the bill entitled, an act to provide for the appointment of additional lumber inspectors at Port Deposit, in Cecil county, and for other purposes, referred from the last to this session of the legislature.

On motion of Mr. Foard,

Said bill was referred to the committee on inspections.

Mr. Ristean asked and obtained leave to bring in a bill entitled an act supplementary to an act to restrain private banking, passed December session 1831, chapter 317 ;

Referred to Messrs. Ristean, Graves and Cottman.

Mr. Tall asked and obtained leave to bring in a bill entitled, an act to provide for the public instruction of youth, in primary schools, throughout this state, passed at December session 1825, chapter 161, so far as relates to Dorchester county ;

Referred to the Dorchester delegation.

Mr. Foard asked and obtained leave to bring in a bill entitled, an act for the appointment of an inspector of lumber, at Chesapeake city, in Cecil county, and for other purposes ;

Referred to the committee on inspections.

Mr. Ridgely submitted the following preamble and order :

Whereas certain resolutions were adopted at the late session of the legislature of this state, instructing the committee on internal improvements to report to the house, on sundry matters connect-