

Mr. Nesbitt presented the petition of sixty citizens of Washington county, praying that the banks of this state may be allowed to issue small notes for a limited time;

Which was read and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Richardson presented the petition of sundry citizens of Buckkeystown district, in Frederick county, praying for an alteration in the license law, respecting retailers of ardent spirits, &c.;

Which was read and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Richardson also presented the memorial of sundry citizens of Frederick county, praying that the present system may be abolished, and the state divided into two geological districts; and

Mr. Naill presented the petition of sundry citizens of Frederick county, praying the passage of a law, to divide the state into two geological districts, and to define the duty of the geologists;

Which were severally read and referred to the committee on agriculture.

Mr. Stull presented the petition of sundry citizens of Carroll county, counter to the petition of Beal Buckingham and others, respecting a certain road therein mentioned;

Which was read and referred to the committee already appointed on that subject.

Mr. Sprigg, of Allegany, presented the memorial of Thomas J. McKaig and William M. McKaig, praying compensation for professional services;

Which was read and referred to the committee on claims.

Mr. England presented the petition of sundry citizens of Rockville, Montgomery county, praying for a law therein mentioned;

Which was read and referred to Messrs. England, Gott and Gittings.

On motion of Mr. Nail,

Ordered, That the committee on grievances and courts of justice enquire into the expediency of repealing so much of the supplement to an act, for the more effectual protection of public worship in this state, passed at Dec. session, 1839, as relates to the confiscation of property.

Mr. England obtained leave to bring in a bill to extend the time of Thomas Robinson, late sheriff and collector of Montgomery county, to complete his completion:

Ordered, That Messrs. England, Gaither and Gott report the same.

Mr. Gaither, from the committee on corporations, reported a bill, entitled, an act to incorporate the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Maryland, for the purposes therein mentioned; and

Mr. Frazier, chairman of the committee on divorces, reported a bill, entitled, an act to divorce James Gooden, of Prince George's county, from his wife Jane Gooden, a vinculo matrimonii;