

county, praying that the offices of Geologist and Topographical Engineer be abolished;

Which was read and referred to the committee on agriculture.

Mr. Naill also presented the petition of sundry citizens of Frederick county, praying the passage of a law, to reduce the per diem of judges of elections and their clerks in said county;

Which was read and referred to Messrs. Naill, E. A. Lynch, Richardson, William Lynch and Motter.

Mr. Jones, of Somerset, presented the memorial of 158 citizens of Somerset county, praying a modification of the law regulating licenses to retailers;

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

Mr. Jones, of Somerset, presented the memorial of the commissioners of Somerset county, praying the repeal of the tax upon said county for colonizing the people of color;

Which was read and referred to the committee on colored population.

Mr. Frazier presented the petition of Armanda Mulliken, praying to be divorced from her husband, Edward T. Mulliken;

Which was read and referred to the committee on divorces.

Mr. Nesbitt presented the petition of sundry citizens of Washington county, in behalf of Christiana Limberger, praying to be divorced from her husband, Joseph Limberger;

Which was read and referred to the committee on divorces.

Mr. Lecompte presented the petition of sundry citizens of Carroll county, praying relief for certain persons therein mentioned;

Which was read and referred to Messrs. Lecompte, Stull, Shower and Boyle.

Mr. Le Grand, from the minority of the committee on internal improvements, delivered a report on the subject of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company;

Which was read; and 666 copies ordered to be printed.

On motion of Mr. Maccubbin,

Ordered, That it be noted on the journal that Mr. Sprigg, of Prince George's county, has been kept from his seat in this house since Wednesday last, by indisposition.

Mr. Parsons obtained leave to bring in a bill, to be entitled an act to authorise Eben Handy, a free man of color, to manumit his wife Anne, of Somerset county;

Ordered, That Messrs. Parsons, Rider and Williams report the same.

On motion of Mr. Gantt,

Ordered, That he have leave to withdraw from the files of the house, the petition of sundry citizens of Montgomery and Howard District, praying the passage of a law to build a bridge at the Triadelphia Factory.

Mr. Graves, from the joint committee on the library, made a fa-