

Mr. Hooper reported a bill, entitled an act to establish Magistrate's Courts in the several counties of this State, and to prescribe their jurisdiction, passed December session 1835;

Mr. Jones, of Kent, reported a bill, entitled a supplement to the act entitled an act to alter the mode of appointing the levy court of Kent county, to provide for their election by the people, and to abolish the board of commissioners of tax in said county, passed at Dec. session 1838, chapter 305; and

Mr. Simcoe reported a bill, entitled an act to authorise and require the commissioners of Cecil county, to levy a sum of money, to rebuild a bridge over Principio Creek, in said county;

Which were severally read the first, and by a special order the second time, severally passed and sent to the senate.

On motion of Mr. Gallagher,

The house took up for consideration the bill from the Senate, entitled an act for the benefit of John Burk and Harriet Josephine Burk, his wife, of city of Baltimore;

The said bill was then read the second time, passed, and returned sent to the senate.

On motion of Mr. Jones, of Somerset,

The house took up for consideration the bill reported by Mr. Parsons, entitled an act to authorise Ebbin Handy, free man of color, to manumit his wife, Anne, of Somerset county.

Mr. Presstman moved that said bill be referred to the committee on colored population.

Mr. Jones, of Somerset, called for the previous question.

Mr. Lecompte called for the order of the day.

The house then proceeded to consider the order of the day, being the bill reported by Mr. Bowie, chairman of the committee on ways and means, entitled an act for the general valuation and assessment of property in this State, and to provide a tax to pay the debts of the State.

On motion of Mr. Bowie,

The house again resolved itself into a committee of the whole house upon said bill, (Mr. Jones of Somerset, being in the chair;) and after some time spent in committee, the Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported that the said committee had, in obedience to order, had said bill again under consideration, and having made some progress therein, had directed him to ask leave to sit again.

Which leave was granted by the house.

Mr. Causin, chairman of the committee on corporations, reported a bill, entitled an act relative to the banking institutions of the State of Maryland;

Which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

On motion of Mr. Gantt,

The house took a recess until 4 o'clock, P. M.