enabled to do so, if the State will relinquish the said dividends

now declared and due to the State; therefore,

Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the dividends now due this State from the Nanticoke Bridge Company, be and the same are hereby relinquished to said company, to aid in repairing the said bridge, and the said company are hereby authorised and required to apply the same towards the repair of the said bridge.

Which was read and laid on the table.

Mr. Hammond, from the committee on Grievances and Courts of Justice, to which was referred the bill entitled, a supplement to an act for the benefit of the children of James Power of the city of Baltimore, passed February 1840, ch. 181, reported favorably thereon.

Mr. Forwood from the same committee to which was referred the bill entitled, an act relating to Sheriffs, reported favorably thereon;

Read the first time and laid on the table.

Mr. Maccubbin reported a bill entitled, an act further to extend the time allowed Samuel Fowler, former sheriff of Prince George's county, to complete his collections;

Read the first and by special order the second time, passed, and

sent to the Senate.

Mr. Johns, chairman of the committee on Divorces, to which were referred the petitions of Mary Ann Howard of the city of Baltimore, of Susan Rock of St. Marys, of Sarah A. Dove of Prince George's county, of Mary Covey of Caroline county, and of Barbara Lippy of Carroll county, severally praying for acts of divorce, reported unfavorably thereon;

Read the first time and laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Biser,

Leave was granted to Messrs. Biser, Hopewell, Sellman, Braddock and Davis to bring in a bill entitled, a supplement to an act entitled, an act for quieting possessions, enrolling conveyances and securing the estates of purchasers, passed December session 1834, chapter 80.

On motion of Mr. Lowe,

Leave was granted to Messrs. Lowe, Willis and Sherwood to bring in a bill entitled, a supplement to an act entitled, an act to to erect a town in Talbot county by the name of St. Michael's, and to appoint commissioners.

Mr. Dorsey reported a bill entitled, an act for the relief of pau-

pers in Howard District in Anne Arundel county;

Read the first and by special order the second-time, passed, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. Graves submitted the following order:

Ordered, That the committee on Ways and Means be authorised to appoint from their body a sub-committee of three to visit and inspect the Penitentiary, provided that they do not remain absent from this House for more than two days;