

Mr. Forman moved to refer the said bill to the committee on Ways and Means;

On the question being put,

It was determined in the negative.

On motion of Mr. Carmichael,

Ordered, That said bill be referred to the committee on Internal Improvement.

Mr. Nicols of Caroline, presented the report of the Orphans' court of Caroline county, relating to the school funds of said county;

Read and referred to the committee on Education.

On motion of Mr. Causin,

The House took up the bill entitled, an act to authorise the commissioners of the tax for St. Mary's county to erect a bridge therein described.

And the bill entitled, an act to authorise the employment of additional collectors in St. Mary's and Worcester counties;

Severally read the second time, passed, and sent to the Senate.

The House then took up the order of the day, being the bill entitled, an act to repeal an act entitled, an act to direct the manner in which the agents to represent the State in all joint stock companies in which the State has an interest, shall hereafter be appointed.

On motion of Mr. Causin,

The house was called and the door-keeper sent after the absent members.

The clerk of the Senate delivered a memorial of a large number of the white male members of the Methodist Episcopal Church adverse to the proposition of the slaveholders' convention to prohibit the meeting of negroes for any purpose after sunset;

Read and referred to the committee on Colored Population.

And a bill entitled, an act to quiet possessions, confirm titles, and make valid certain proceedings in Chancery;

Read the first time and referred to the committee on Grievances and Courts of Justice.

And a bill entitled, an act to repeal the third and fourth sections of the act entitled, an act relating to the collectors of the public revenue, passed at December session 1825, ch. 216;

Read the first time, and

Referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

And returned the bill entitled, an act for the benefit of O. Gray of Montgomery county:

Endorsed "will not pass."

And the bill entitled, an act to incorporate a company to make a turnpike road from some point on the National Turnpike Road, west of Cumberland, to intersect the Somerset and Cumberland Turnpike Road at or near the Pennsylvania line;

Endorsed "will pass with the proposed amendment."

Amendment proposed:

In the third line of the tenth section strike out the words "at