

Read and referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

On motion of Mr. Stull,

The House took up the bill from the Senate entitled, a supplement to the act entitled, an act to incorporate the town of Westminster in Carroll county;

Read the second time by special order, passed and returned to the Senate.

Mr. Buskirk submitted the following resolution:

Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Samuel Sprigg, James M. Coale, Allen B. Davis, William Grason and William Matthews, Esquires, be and they are hereby appointed agents to represent the State in all joint stock companies in which the State has an interest, and that the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House of Delegates address a joint letter to these gentlemen, informing them of their appointment;

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Buskirk then moved to suspend the rules to give to the said resolution a second reading by special order.

On motion of Mr. Gallagher,

The House was called and the doorkeeper sent after the absent members.

On motion of Mr. Eccleston,

The House proceeded with the ordinary business of the session in the absence of the doorkeeper.

On motion of Mr. Eccleston,

Leave was granted to Messrs. Eccleston, Nicols of Dorchester, Traverse and Richardson of Dorchester to bring in a bill extending the time to James A. Waddell, late sheriff of Dorchester county, to enable him to complete his collections.

Mr. Johns, chairman of the committee on Divorces, reported the following bills:

A bill entitled, an act to divorce Harmuetal Ware of Baltimore county from her husband Thomas Ware, a vinculo matrimonii;

A bill entitled, an act to divorce Ann Maria Hubbard of the city of Baltimore from her husband William Hubbard, a vinculo matrimonii;

A bill entitled, an act to divorce Matthias Cordeman of Washington county from his wife Mary Ann Cordeman, a vinculo matrimonii;

And a bill entitled, an act to divorce Sarah Mennypenny, of Washington county, from her husband Samuel Mennypenny a vinculo matrimonii;

Severally read the first time and laid on the table.

Mr. Johns presented three several petitions of sundry citizens of Harford county, praying the repeal of the direct tax law, and to place the public works in the hands of trustees for the benefit of the State creditors;

Read and referred to the select committee raised on that subject.