

engaged in suppressing riots on the line of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal in 1839.

Which was read, assented to and sent to the Senate.

Mr. Johnson submitted the following resolution :

Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the Treasurer of the Western Shore pay to Andrew Slicer, messenger to the Senate, and William Murdoch, doorkeeper to the House of Delegates, sixty dollars each, for taking care of their respective rooms and furniture during the recess of the Legislature ;

Which was read, assented to and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Stone,

Ordered, That it be entered on the Journal that Samuel S. Boggs, Esquire, is detained from his seat by indisposition.

On motion of Mr. Gallagher,

The House took up the following bills entitled to a second reading :

The bill entitled, an act to divorce Susan Houx of the city of Baltimore, from her husband David Houx, a vinculo matrimonii ;

Read the second time ;

Mr. Owens of Anne Arundel moved to amend said bill by striking out "a vinculo matrimonii," and inserting "a mensa et thoro ;"

Determined in the negative.

The question then recurred on the passage of the said bill ;

And on being put,

It was passed and sent to the Senate.

The next bill entitled, an act to make valid a certain deed therein mentioned ;

Read the second time passed and sent to the Senate.

The next bill entitled, a supplement to an act to promote the improvement and increase of shell fish within the State ;

Read the second time, passed and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Owens of Cecil,

The House took up the bill entitled, an act to preserve the breed of fish in the waters of the Chesapeake Bay and for other purposes ;

Read the second time ;

Mr. Sutton of Kent then moved to amend said bill by adding as an additional section the following :

And be it enacted, That nothing in this act shall be so construed as to affect the citizens of Kent county, in setting gill seines from the shores of said county."

Which was read.

On motion of Mr. Gallagher,

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

On motion of Mr. Carmichael,

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