town, praying to make valid a deed therein mentioned, and for other purposes;

Read and referred to Messrs. Hook, Walker, Poultney, Risteau

and Randall.

Mr. Sherwood presented the petition of James Dawson and others, asking an act in favor of Milly Dary, for purposes therein specified;

Read and referred to the committee on Colored Population. Mr. Hamilton presented the petition of Sarah A. Dove of Prince George's county, praying for a divorce; A

Read and referred to the committee on Divorces.

On motion of Mr. Laveille,

Ordered, That it be entered on the journal, that Mr. Duke is detained from his seat, by indisposition.

On motion of Mr. Spencer,

Leave was granted to the committee on Grievances and Courts of Justice, to bring in a bill supplementary to an act entitled, an act directing the manner of suing out attachments in this province, and limiting the extent of them.

On motion of Mr. Forman,

Leave was granted to Messrs. Forman, Crain and Davis, to bring in a bill to change the time for holding the elections of Delegates to the General Assembly, and all State and county officers in the several counties in this State.

Mr. Hammond, chairman of the committee on Colored Population, reported a bill entitled, an act entitled, a further supplement

to an act passed at December session, 1831, ch. 323;

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

sent to the senate.

Mr. Sellman, chairman of the committee on Expiring Laws, reported a bill entitled, an act to continue in force the acts of Assembly which would expire with the present session of the General Assembly;

Read the first time and laid on the table.

Mr. Brent from the committee on Grievances and Courts of Justice, reported a bill entitled, an act to confirm and make valid a deed of conveyance from Sarah Flenner and James L. Montgomery to Andrew Miller of Allegany county;

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

sent to the senate.

Mr. Hammond chairman of the committee on Coloured Population, reported a bill entitled, an act for the relief of Ethelbert Taney of Washington county;
Read the first and by special order the second time;

On motion of Mr. Brent,

Said bill was amended by adding thereto the following:

"Provided, That at the time such sale or disposition is made of said negroes Maria and William, the said Ethelbert Taney shall take from the person or persons to whom such sale or disposition shall be made, security to be approved of by the clerk of