

Also, the bill entitled, an act to authorise the commissioners of Cecil county, to levy a sum of money to erect a bridge over Back creek, at or near Chesapeake city ;

Endorsed, "will pass with the proposed amendments ;"

Which amendments were severally read the first time, and ordered to lie on the table.

And the resolutions in favor of William B. Stone and Joshua Smith, administrator of William Willis ;

Severally endorsed, "assented to," and

The resolutions ordered to be engrossed.

And delivered a bill originated in and passed by the Senate entitled, an act to incorporate the Pikesville academy, in Baltimore county ;

Which was read and referred to the committee on Corporations.

Also, a report of the trustees of Island Creek academy, in Calvert county ;

And a report from the trustees of Rockville academy, in Montgomery county ;

Which were severally read and referred to the committee on Education.

On motion of Mr. Thomas, of Talbot,

Leave was granted Messrs. Thomas, of Talbot, Johnson, Causin, Murray and Waters, of Somerset, to bring in a bill to alter, change and abolish so much of the Constitution and Form of Government, as provides for the appointment of Associate Justices of the county courts, in the several judicial districts of this State.

Mr. McKaig submitted the following preamble and resolution:

Whereas, by an act passed at December session, eighteen hundred and twenty-two, chapter one hundred and twenty eight, it was provided by the third section thereof, that all certificates of surveys of lands made in Allegany county after the passage of said act, and returned to the land office of the Western Shore, should be compounded on within twelve months from the date of said certificate of survey, or become null and void.

And whereas, it is represented that Alpheus B. Hinkle, hath returned to the land office, a certificate for a tract of land called "Sharp," containing twenty five acres and one eight of an acre, which should have been compounded on, on or before the seventh day of January eighteen hundred and forty four, but the same has been omitted to be done within the time prescribed by law, and the State would gain nothing by compelling the said Alpheus B. Hinkle, to survey the same again—therefore,

Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Alpheus B. Hinkle of Allegany county be allowed twenty days from the passage of this resolution to compound on the said certificate called "Sharp," and the Treasurer of the Western Shore is hereby authorised to receive the same, thereby making said certificate as valid as if the same had been compounded on in due time. Provided nevertheless, that all rights acquired in any part or the whole