

Mr. Chapman presented the memorial of Hanson B. Pigman, Deputy Attorney General, asking for compensation for services rendered to the State, in the trial of a cause before the Court of Appeals, on a collector's bond ;

Which was read and referred to the committee on Grievances and Courts of Justice.

Mr. Cropper presented the petition of fifty-five citizens of Harford and Cecil counties, praying the passage of a law, to prevent and remove obstructions to navigation, in the head waters of the Chesapeake bay, and for other purposes ;

Which was read and referred to the committee already appointed on that subject.

On motion of Mr. Stephenson,

Leave was granted Messrs. Stephenson, Yellott, Polk and Hopkins, to bring in a bill entitled, an act for recording the courses and distances of public roads in Harford county.

On motion of Mr. Dalrymple,

Leave was granted Messrs. Dalrymple, Alnutt and Weems, to bring in a bill for the relief of Benjamin S. Ireland, adm'r. of Richard E. Ireland, late sheriff of Calvert county.

On motion of Mr. Dalrymple,

Leave was granted Messrs. Dalrymple, Weems and Alnutt, to bring in a bill to allow John Hutchins former sheriff of Calvert county, further time to complete his collections.

On motion of Mr. Murray,

Leave was granted Messrs. Murray, Chapman, Curley, Yellott and Cropper, to bring in a bill for the relief of Passmore McCullough, of Anne Arundel county.

On motion of Mr. Allnutt,

Leave was granted Messrs. Alnutt, Weems and Dalrymple, to bring in a bill to give Henry L. Harrison, sheriff of Calvert county, further time to complete his collections.

Mr. Powder submitted the following preamble and resolutions:

Whereas, it appears by a report heretofore made, by the Treasurer of the Western Shore, in obedience to an order of this House, that there is due the sum of ninety seven thousand, seven hundred and eighty three dollars and twenty-five cents, from sundry of the clerks and sheriffs of the counties of this State, and whereas, at the last session of the legislature, indulgence was given to some of said clerks, and the time extended for the payment of a large portion of said sum of monies into the Treasury, and whereas, it is reasonable and proper that at least the same measure of indulgence should be metted to the tax payers of this State which is extended to defaulting public officers, who have the people's money in their possession, and whereas, it is also reasonable and proper that the people should not be required to submit to heavy burdens, at least until all the public means have been first collected and exhausted, Therefore,

Be it resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the further collections of State taxes be, and the same is hereby