

Mr. Potter reported a bill entitled, an act supplementary to an act passed in the year 1793, for the better regulation of apprentices :

Which were severally read the first and by a special order the second time, passed and sent to the Senate.

Mr. Phelps from the select committee, to which was referred the bill from the Senate entitled, an act directing the commissioners of the tax of Dorchester county, to publish annually a statement of their receipts and disbursements, reported the same with the following amendments,

Amendments proposed :

To the first section add the following :

“And the sheriff of said county shall cause a printed copy of said statement to be put up in some public place on the day of the annual elections in said county, where the election is held in every district in said county, and in case of neglect in any case, the said sheriff shall be fined by the county court for every offence, the sum of twenty dollars, one half of which for the use of the informer and the residue for the use of the State.”

Second section in the 13th line after the word “prisoners,” and before the word “the,” insert the following words, viz : “for the keeping of the court house and the expenditures on account of the offices held therein.”

In the 18th line after the word “out,” and before the word “with,” insert the following “the amount paid to or levied for each keeper of the ferries in said county.”

Sec. 4. “And be it enacted, That the second section of the act passed January 6th, 1803, ch. 81, so far as it relates to said county, be and the same is hereby repealed.”

Which was read the first, and by a special order the second time, the amendments assented to, and the bill passed as amended, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. Waters, of Somerset, from the committee on Grievances and Courts of Justice, to which was referred the bill from the Senate entitled, an act to confirm and make valid a certain deed therein intioned, made an unfavorable report thereon ;

Which was read the first, and by a special order the second time, and concurred in, and the bill rejected and returned to the Senate.

Mr. Ghiselin, chairman of the committee on Colored Population, to which was referred the bill from the Senate entitled, an act to authorise Josias Hawkins administrator of Philip A. L. Contee deceased, to bring certain negroe slaves into this State, reported favorably thereon ;

Which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Franklin, from the committee on Grievances and Courts of Justice, to which was referred the bill from the Senate, entitled, a supplement to the act entitled, an act to regulate conjugal rights, as they regard property, made a favorable report thereon ;

Which was read, and