

Which was read and referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. Waters, of Somerset, presented the petition of sundry citizens of Somerset county, praying for a repeal of the act passed February 20th, 1843, chapter 123, so far as Somerset county is concerned;

Which was read and referred to Messrs. Waters of Somerset, Lankford, Philips and Dennis.

Mr. Buckley presented the petition of sundry citizens of Frederick county, praying a repeal of the district court law, for said county, and the extension of the jurisdiction of single magistrates;

Which was read and referred to Messrs. Buckley, Lynch, Thomas, of Frederick, Nail and Shriver.

Mr. Chapman presented the petition of Samuel Cox, of Charles county, praying for an act authorising him to bring into this State, a negro slave from the District of Columbia;

Which was read and referred to Messrs. Chapman, Reeder and Freeman.

Mr. Stephenson presented the petition of sundry citizens of Harford county, praying the passage of a law authorising the commissioners of said county, to levy a sum of money for the benefit of John Streithooff;

Which was read and referred to Messrs. Stephenson, Hopkins, Yellott and Polk, and

Mr. Cropper presented the petition of sundry citizens of Cecil county, praying the opening of a road therein mentioned;

Which was read and referred to Messrs. Cropper, Lackland, Owen and Harris.

The Speaker laid before the House, a report of the clerk of the Court of Appeals, of the Eastern Shore, relative to the attendance of judges;

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

On motion of Mr. Lynch,

Ordered, That it be entered on the journal, that William B. Tabler, doorkeeper, is absent on account of indisposition.

On motion of Mr. Phelps,

Leave was granted Messrs. Phelps, Da'il and Stewart, to bring in a bill to repeal an act entitled, an act to lessen the annual expenses of Dorchester county, passed December session 1842, ch. 252.

On motion of Mr. Ghiselin,

Leave was granted Messrs. Ghiselin, Wootten, Calvert and Semmes, to bring in a bill to allow John R. Baden, late sheriff of Prince George's county, further time to complete his collections.

On motion of Mr. Buckley,

Leave was granted the committee on Ways and Means, to bring in a bill to regulate collectors in the distraining and selling of property under the several assessment laws of this State.