

The clerk of the Senate returned the bill entitled, an act for the relief of Washington A. Posey, of Charles county;

Also, the bill entitled, an act to make valid the acts of John Johnson and James J. Hurley, as justices of the peace for Washington county;

And, the bill entitled, an act to repeal the second section of an act passed at December session 1838, chapter 263;

Severally endorsed, "will pass," and the bills severally ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Ghiselin, chairman of the committee on Colored Population, reported a bill entitled, an act to encourage the more effectual apprehending of runaway slaves;

And reported a bill entitled, an act relating to free negroes;

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

Mr. Fitzpatrick from the select committee to which was referred the bill from the Senate, entitled, an act for the protection of the public buildings in Allegany county, reported unfavorably thereon, and recommended the rejection of said bill;

The said bill was then read the second time, rejected and returned to the Senate.

Mr. Ghiselin reported a bill entitled, an act to allow John R. Baden, late sheriff of Prince George's county, further time to complete his collections;

Which was read the first, and by a special order the second time, passed and sent to the senate.

On motion of Mr. Maffitt,

The House took up for consideration the bill reported by him, entitled, an act for the relief of Mary Burke and Elizabeth Burke of Cecil county, authorising the commissioners of said county, to make an annual levy for their maintenance and support;

The said bill was then read the second time, passed, and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Lankford,

The House took up for consideration the bill reported by him, entitled, an act for the relief of John N. Bowland, former sheriff and collector of Somerset county;

The said bill was then read the second time, passed, and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Johnson, of A. A.

The House took up for consideration the bill reported by him as chairman of the committee on Ways and Means, entitled, a supplement to an act to regulate the fees of Notaries Public, passed at December session 1841, chapter 280.

Mr. Springer moved to amend said bill by striking out in the 1st section, 4th line the word "two," and inserting in lieu thereof "one;"

Determined in the negative.

Mr. Morsell moved to amend said bill by adding at the end of the 1st section thereof, the following: