

On motion of Mr. Lankford,

The House was called and the doorkeeper sent for the absent members :

Who after a short time, returned and reported, that in obedience to order he had notified the absent members that their attendance in the House was required.

The question then recurred upon the motion of Mr. Lankford to refer said bill to the committee on Grievances and Courts of Justice.

Mr. Freeman moved that said bill be postponed until Tuesday next ;

Resolved in the affirmative.

On motion of Mr. Archer,

Leave was granted the committee on Grievances and Courts of Justice, to bring in a bill to change the mode of summoning jurors.

Mr. Stewart from the select committee, reported a bill entitled, an act to consecrate the piece of ground at Ellicott's Mills, therein mentioned, for the use and purpose of a grave yard ;

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

Mr. Kilgour from the select committee, reported a bill entitled, a supplement to an act entitled, an act passed December session 1839, ch. 316, to raise a sum of money to construct a turnpike road from Rockville, in Montgomery county, to the Monocacy bridge ;

Which was read, and

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Referred to the committee on Lotteries.

Mr. Springer from the select committee, reported a bill entitled, an act authorising Mary D. Cormis, of the city of Baltimore, to bring into this State, a negro slave from Virginia, named Georgianna ;

Which was read and referred to the committee on Colored Population.

On motion of Mr. Graves,

The House took up for consideration, the bill entitled, an act to reduce the number of commissioners of insolvent debtors for the city of Baltimore ;

On motion of Mr. Ghiselin,

The said bill was ordered to lie on the table.

The bill reported by Mr. Fooks entitled, an act concerning the draining of swamps and low grounds, by the laying out and opening of public ditches,

Was taken up for consideration ;

On motion of Mr. Fooks,

The said bill was postponed until Monday next, the 3rd February.

On motion of Mr. Williams, of Baltimore City,

Leave was granted Messrs. Williams, of Baltimore city, Randall and Hollyday, of Cecil, to bring in a bill entitled, a supple-