

Mr. McKnett presented the petition of Alcaid Dawson and others, praying for the passage of a law relative to the school funds of Caroline county;

Which was read and referred to Messrs. McKnett, Potter and Jump.

Mr. Potter presented the petition of James Carter, John Evitts and other citizens of Caroline county, praying for the passage of a law, relative to Stake nets in the Great Choptank river;

Which was read and referred to the delegations from Caroline, Dorchester and Talbot counties.

Mr. Shriver submitted the following message :

*By the House of Delegates,*

*January 3rd, 1845.*

*Gentlemen of the Senate :*

We propose an interchange of services between the Rev. Mr. Steele, selected by this House, to perform divine service, and the gentleman selected by your Honorable Body.

By order,

George G. Brewer, Clk.

Which was read and assented to.

The clerk of the senate delivered a bill originated in and passed by the Senate, entitled, an act to alter and change the name of William Flood Brand, to William Francis Brand;

Which was read and referred to Messrs. Worthington, of Anne Arundel, Johnson, of Anne Arundel, and Lynch.

Also, a memorial of Polly Walker, widow of John Walker, a soldier of the revolution, praying for a pension, endorsed, "referred to the consideration of the House of Delegates ;"

Which was read and referred to the committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims.

And, the following message :

*By the Senate,*

*January 3rd, 1845.*

*Gentlemen of the House of Delegates :*

We propose the appointment of a joint committee to consist of three members of each branch, to visit the Government House, and inspect the same with the view of ascertaining the sum necessary to be appropriated for repairs and the purchase of furniture.

We have appointed Messrs. Hambleton, Bowie and Roberts, on the part of the Senate.

By order,

Joseph H. Nicholson, Clk.

Which was read.

On motion of Mr. Ford,

Leave was granted Messrs. Ford, of Queen Anne's, Harrison and George, to bring in a bill to allow Thomas Sutton, sheriff of