Mr. Calvert, moved to refer said resolution to the committee on Ways and Means:

Resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Long, submitted the following resolution:

Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the commissioners of Somerset county, are hereby authorised and empowered if they shall deem the same expedient, to levy upon the assessable property of said county a sum of money not exceeding one hundred and fifty dollars, for the purpose of purchasing the key or index of the late Register of Wills of Somerset county, or compiling a new one at their discretion, so that the amount paid for such compilation shall not exceed said sum;

Which was read.

Mr. Phillips, moved to lay said resolution on the table; Resolved in the affirmative.

On motion of Mr. Clarke.

Ordered, That the chief clerk of this House, prepare an index of the public documents of the House of Delegates from the year 1834, to the year 1845, and that hereafter it shall be his duty to prepare an annual index for each session, to be attached to and printed in each of the volumes of the public documents.

Mr. Ghiselin, chairman of the committee on Colored Popula. tion, to whom was referred the bill entitled, an act for the benefit of the devisees of Thomas Sasser, late of Prince George's county, deceased, made an unfavorable report on said bill;

Which was twice read and concurred in.

The House took up for consideration the bill from the Senate entitled, an act to regulate the method of taking evidence to be adduced in the trial of contested elections.

The said bill was then read the second time by a special order, passed and returned to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Frazier,

The House took up for consideration the bill reported by him, entitled, an act relating to the elections in Dorchester county;

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

The bill from the Senate, entitled, an act to regulate the publication of the proceedings of the commissioners of Washington county;

Was taken up for consideration,

Read the second time, passed and returned to Senate.

Mr. Worthington, of Anne Arundel, from the select committee, reported a bill entitled, an act to authorise the inspection of lumber at the village of Bristol, in Anne Arundel county;

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