

Mr. Morton presented the petition of George A. Ford and twenty-four others, against any extension of the stay law;

Which was read and referred to the select committee on the stay law.

Mr. J. J. Bowie, presented the petition of Elijah Connick and thirty others, citizens of Prince George's county, asking for an act to authorise the county commissioners of said county to pay Daniel Garner, John R. Baden and William B. Sotherton, the amount due them as authenticated by the certificate of the clerk of Howard county, for their attendance as witnesses for William T. Talbot in the case removed from said county of the State against said Talbot;

Which was read and referred to the Prince George's county delegation.

Mr. Davis, of Montgomery, presented the petition of Thos. Worthington and a large number of citizens of Montgomery county, asking a modification of the primary school law of said county;

Also, the petition of George W. Beale, Jonathan Barnsly and a number of other citizens of Montgomery county, asking the prohibition of the sale of ardent spirits in the neighborhood of Emory Chapel and School in said county, except at Higgins' Tavern;

Which was read and referred to the Montgomery county delegation.

On motion of Mr. Dougherty,

Leave was granted the committee on the Judiciary, to report a bill authorising Charles Henry Boone, formerly of Pennsylvania, but now a resident of Somerset county, to practice law in the several courts of Maryland.

Mr. Donaldson, from the committee on Ways and Means, reported favorably upon the Senate bill entitled, An act authorising the Treasurer to pay on the warrant of the Comptroller, certain sums of money erroneously paid into the Treasury since the year 1851, by clerks and registers of wills, since the adoption of the present State Constitution;

Mr. Purnell, from the committee on the Judiciary, reported favorably a bill entitled, An act to authorise and empower the circuit court of Kent county, to receive and entertain a petition from Daniel Jones, of said county, to divide the real estate of the said Daniel Jones and Catharine Y. Jones, deceased, to appoint five commissioners to make such division, with full powers to make such division and return their proceedings to the said court, which shall confirm or reject the same, as, to justice and equity, may appear;