

altimore and Harford counties, to build a bridge over the Little Gunpowder Falls at Lee's mill, on the Bell Air road.

Mr Worthington moved to strike out "Baltimore county." Determined in the negative. The bill was then passed.

Mr. Worthington reports a bill, entitled, An act to alter and change the location of a part of the tenth and eleventh election districts in Baltimore county.

The house adjourns until to-morrow morning 10 o'clock.

Saturday, February 11, 1826.

The house met. Present the same members as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read.

The bill to divorce Elisha Winn and Mary Winn, his wife, the bill respecting the new jail of Washington county; the bill for the relief of John Eckstine, and the bill to authorize Solomon Etting of the city of Baltimore, to improve a lot on Pine-street in said city, were sent to the senate.

Mr. Barnes presents a petition from sundry inhabitants of Frederick county, praying that the state will relinquish its portion of the escheat money on the estate of Wm. Traverse, an alien, deceased; referred to Messrs. Barnes, Cockey and Sappington.

The speaker laid before the house the following letter:

House of Representatives, Dover, January 20th, 1826.

SIR—Your communication, dated the 6th inst. was handed to me on the 14th, by Ezekiel F. Chambers, Archibald Lee, and Robert H. Goldsborough, esquires, deputed by the general assembly of the state of Maryland to confer with the legislature of this state upon the measures best calculated to prevent the absconding of slaves from Maryland, and to facilitate their recovery by their owners.

By order of the house over which I have the honour to preside, I herewith transmit to you an authenticated copy of an act of the general assembly of this state, entitled, "An act relating to fugitives from labour," which was passed yesterday.

I am sir, with the greatest consideration and respect, your most obedient servant.

Arnold Naudain,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Hon. Benedict I Semmes, Speaker of the House of Delegates, Annapolis.

On motion by Mr. Hall, Ordered, That the act relating to fugitives from labour accompanying the said letter, be published with the laws of Maryland.

Mr. Barnes delivers the following resolution:

Resolved, That the treasurer of the western shore be and he hereby is authorised and required, to pay to Richard Potts, for the use of the children of William Traverse, an alien, late of Frederick county, deceased, \$214 and 44 cents, it being the amount received by the said treasurer as escheat money on a lot and improvements lying and being in said county, and formerly the property of said William Traverse.

On motion by Mr. Stevens, Ordered, That the committee on the militia be instructed, to examine into the state of the public arms at this place, and report to this house the state and condition thereof, and what course it is necessary for this legislature to pursue for the preservation thereof.

Mr. Montgomery obtained leave to bring in a bill, entitled, An act to ascertain a standard for and to regulate weights and measures in this