

teration in the law passed at December session 1824, ch. 53, entitled, an act for the more effectual protection of public worship in this State;

Which was read and referred to the committee already appointed on that subject.

Mr. Dawson presented a petition of Ann Cook, of Montgomery county, praying permission to bring into this State, two negroes therein named, slaves for life;

Which was read and referred to the committee on colored population.

Mr. Crisfield presented a petition of William Sadler and others, citizens of Somerset county, praying the passage of a new assessment law for said county;

Also, presented a petition of William Miles, William W. Johnston, and others, citizens of Somerset county, setting forth that a new assessment law for said county is at this time unnecessary;

Which were severally read and referred to Messrs. Crisfield, Ballard and Hyland.

Mr. McDaniel presented a petition of Isaac Bull, of Kent county, praying for the passage of an act for the purpose therein mentioned;

Which was read and referred to Messrs. McDaniel, Prinrose and Price.

Mr. Brengle presented a petition of L. P. W. Balch and others, citizens of Frederick county, praying the repeal of a law therein mentioned;

Which was read and referred to Messrs. Brengle, Bowlus and Doub.

Mr. Brengle (by leave of the house) obtained leave to bring in a bill to authorise the commissioners of the tax of Carroll county to appoint constables and other officers of Carroll county, and borrow money;

Ordered, That Messrs. Brengle, Matthias and Shaver report the same.

On motion of Mr. Brengle,

The house took up for consideration the bill from the Senate, entitled, an act to authorise the owner or owners of any mill, factory, distillery, quarry, or lime-kiln, situated within the distance of five hundred yards from any rail road now made, or which may hereafter be constructed, to apply to the county court, the levy court, or to the commissioners of the county, as the case may be, to lay out and open a private road or way from such mill, factory, distillery, quarry, or lime-kiln to the most convenient place for intersecting such rail road;