

WEDNESDAY, February 15th, 1860.

On motion of Mr. Gardiner,

Leave was granted Messrs. Gardiner, Smith, and Goldsborough, of Dorchester, to report a bill to amend the 28th Article of the Code of Public General Laws, relating to county commissioners, by adding thereto the following section, giving power to the county commissioners to reduce assessments.

On motion of Mr. Whitaker,

Leave was granted Messrs. Whitaker, Grahame and Franklin, to report a bill entitled, An act to compensate Edwin H. Webster, Esq., of Harford county, for professional services in the cases of the State against John Montgomery, and the State against John Bernard, by appointment of the Governor.

On motion of Mr. Stone,

Leave was granted Messrs. Stone, Kimmel and Heckart, to report a bill to add a new Article to the Code of Public General Laws, relating to Internal Improvements in the several counties of the State.

Mr. Goldsborough, of Talbot, from the Committee on Judicial Proceedings, reported favorably on the following bills :

A bill entitled, An act to amend the 118th section of the 18th Article of the Code of Public Local Laws, relating to the pay of the sheriff of St. Mary's county for keeping prisoners, by increasing said pay ;

Which was read the second time.

A bill entitled, An act for the benefit of Henry Hoffman, of Frederick county ;

Which was read the second time.

A bill entitled, An act authorizing William H. Ross, of Talbot county, to construct a wharf on the navigable waters of Choptank river ;

Which was read the second time.

Also, unfavorably on the following bill :

A bill entitled, An act to authorize Thomas S. Saulsbury, late sheriff of Caroline county, to collect out of the administrator of John Thawley, late collector of said county, the execution costs due him as sheriff aforesaid, on the fi. fa. issued out of the Circuit Court for Caroline county, at the suit of the State of Maryland ;