

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

Mr. Causin reported a bill, entitled, an act to authorise John Milbourn, to bring into this State, negro man Nace, a slave for life;

Which was read the first time,

Mr. Causin moved that said bill be read a second time by special order;

Mr. Hughes moved that said bill be referred to the committee on coloured population.

Resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Powell reported a bill, entitled, an act to authorise and require the clerk of Worcester county court to record a deed therein mentioned;

Which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Risteau, chairman of the committee on divorces, made an unfavorable report upon the petition of Ann Lloyd of the city of Baltimore, praying to be divorced from her husband James Lloyd;

Also, on the petition of Elizabeth Jane Kerner, praying to be divorced from her husband Henry Kerner.

Which were severally read the first time and ordered to lie on the table;

Mr. Risteau, chairman of the committee on divorces, reported a bill, entitled, an act to divorce Samuel Keplinger of the city of Baltimore, from his wife Mary Keplinger;

Which was read the first and by special order the second time,

Mr. Causin moved to lay said bill on the table,

Determined in the negative.

The question then recurred and was put, shall the said bill pass,

Resolved in the affirmative.

And the bill sent to the senate.

The clerk of the senate delivered the following message:

By the Senate,
January 4th, 1838.

Gentlemen of the House of Delegates,

We have received your message proposing that a joint letter from the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House of Delegates, be forthwith forwarded to the Hon. William D. Merrick, informing him of his election to the Senate of the United States, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of the Hon. Joseph Kent, and concur therein,

By order,

Joseph H. Nicholson, Clerk.

Which was read,—also,

A resolution originated in and passed by the senate, requesting the Governor to issue a Commission to the Honorable William D. Merrick as a Senator in Congress, to supply the vacancy occasioned by the death of the Honorable Joseph Kent,