

THURSDAY, March 29th, 1838.

The house met. Present the same members as on yesterday.

On motion of Mr. Boyle, of Carroll, the rule of the house which requires the journal of proceedings on the preceding day to be read, was suspended, and the reading of said journal was dispensed with.

The several bills and resolutions which passed the house on yesterday, were sent to the senate.

On motion of Mr. Alexander, the house took up for consideration the order submitted by him on the 27th inst. to rescind the 49th rule of the house for the remainder of the session, so far as it would have effect or operation on the 40th and 42d rules of the house;

On motion of Mr. Alexander, the house was called and the doorkeeper sent for the absent members.

On motion of Mr. Geyer, the house resolved to proceed with the ordinary business of the session during the absence of the doorkeeper.

Mr. Geyer, chairman of the select committee, delivered the following report:

The select committee to whom was referred the memorial of sundry citizens of Frederick and Carroll counties, remonstrating against the passage of a law as prayed for by certain petitioners, "for the more effectually quieting the possession of church property," and asking the protection of their rights and legal claims in and to said church property, have considered the same, and respectfully recommend that no legislative action be had upon this subject, inasmuch as it would have the effect to determine the judgments of cases in relation to claims growing out of the matter now in litigation, or which may hereafter be litigated in our courts of law.

JOHN W. GEYER.

Which was read the first, and by a special order the second time, and concurred in.

Mr. Kerr, chairman of the committee on colored population, made unfavorable reports upon the following petitions, viz:

The petition of sundry citizens of Worcester county, asking a special act to enable Jane Gordy, a free negro, to take up her residence in this State;

Also, the petition of Henry W. Woodward, late of Anne Arundel county, praying the passage of a law to authorise him to remove to the State of Georgia, a certain negro boy therein mentioned;

Also, the petition of Gracy Perry, a colored woman, praying the passage of a law allowing her to remove into this State;

Also, the petition of John L. Dorsey, of Alexandria, praying the passage of a law to allow him to bring into this State from the State of Alabama, a negro slave therein mentioned;

And, the petition of Moses Cooker, a free negro, of Caroline