

and report a bill to be entitled, an act to guard against fraud in the exercise of the elective franchise, and to secure the rights of voters in the city of Baltimore, and to establish with greater certainty the rules of evidence to be observed at all elections in said city.

Mr. Goldsborough from the committee to which was referred the bill entitled, a supplement to an act entitled, an act to provide for the public instruction of youth in primary schools throughout this State, passed at December session 1825, chapter 162, so far as relates to Dorchester county, reported favorably thereon.

It was read the second and by special order the third time, passed and returned to the house of delegates.

Mr. Tidball from the committee on judicial proceedings, to which was referred the resolution relative to a Digest of the Laws, reported that the committee were of opinion it ought not to be assented to.

It was read the second time.

Mr. Cottman presented the petition of the commissioners and grand jury of Harford county, for the assessment of the real and personal property of said county,

Which was read and referred to Messrs. Cottman, Jones and Lee.

Mr. Cottman from the said committee, reported a bill entitled, an act for the valuation of the real and personal property in Harford county.

Which was read the first and by special order the second time and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

It was accordingly engrossed, and

On motion of Mr. Cottman,

Read the third time by special order, passed and sent to the house of delegates.

Mr. Hambleton from the committee to which was referred the bill entitled, a supplement to an act entitled, an act to regulate gates in Kent county, passed May session 1836, chapter 357, reported favorably thereon.

It was read the second and by special order the third time, passed and returned to the house of delegates.

Mr. Goldsborough from the committee on colored population to which was referred the bill entitled, an act for the benefit of Samuel G. Holbrook of Somerset county, and

The bill entitled, an act to authorise Thomas W. Overly, to introduce certain slaves into this State from the State of Virginia, reported favorably thereon.

They were severally read the second and by special order the third time, passed and returned to the house of delegates.

Mr. Goldsborough from the committee on colored population, to which was referred the bill entitled, a further supplement to an act entitled, a supplement to an act relating to free negroes and slaves, reported that the committee were of opinion it ought not to pass.

It was read the second and by special order the third time, rejected and returned to the house of delegates.

Mr. Jones submitted the following resolution,

Which was read the first and by special order the second time and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.