

and form of government of this state as relate to the division of Queen-Anne's county into election districts; which was read.

Mr. B. Forrest presents a petition from John Threlkeld, praying he may be authorised to shut up a road through his land; which was read and referred to Messrs B. Forrest Gaither and Darne.

Mr. Key presents a report from the Charlotte Hall Academy; which was read.

Mr. Harding presents a petition from Walter Sims, of Montgomery county; which was read and referred to the committee on out pensions.

Mr. Barney reports a bill, entitled, A further supplement to an act, entitled, An act to regulate the inspection of tobacco; which was read.

Mr. W. Eccleston presents a petition from Sally Handy, of Dorchester county, praying a divorce; which was read and referred to Messrs W. Eccleston, Lake and Frazier.

Also a petition from John Handy, her husband, praying a divorce; which was read and referred to Messrs. W. Eccleston, Lecompte and Lake

Mr. Bowles reports the bill to regulate the inspection of flour in the city of Baltimore, as amended; which was read.

Mr. M-Pherson presents a petition from sundry inhabitants of Frederick county, praying that citizen manufacturers of the state may be permitted to vend their wares without licence; which was read and referred to Messrs. M-Pherson, J. B. Eccleston and Cockey.

Mr. Boyle presents a petition from John Cooke, of Montgomery county, praying a deed made by a constable to him may be confirmed; which was read and referred to Messrs. Boyle, B. Forrest and Hayward.

Mr. Harding presents a petition from Burgess Wellett, of Montgomery county, of a similar nature; which was referred to the same committee.

Mr. Whitely presents a petition from Joshua Clarke, of Caroline county, praying for a repeal of the law of 1816, chap. 112; which was read and referred to Messrs. Whitely, Willis and Hardcastle.

Also a petition from William Stevens, of Caroline county, praying a further time to complete his collection; which was read and referred to Messrs. Whitely, Willis and Hardcastle

And a petition from the commissioners of the village of Denton, in Caroline county, praying that they may be authorised to make regulations for their market; which was read and referred to Messrs. Whitely, Willis and Hardcastle.

On motion by Mr. Reeder, Ordered, That he be discharged from the committee appointed to bring in a bill to confirm the act changing the constitution relative to the time of the meeting of the legislature.

Ordered, That Mr. Lecompte be added to the same

On motion by Mr. B. Forrest, the question was put, That the committee be enlarged to seven? Determined in the negative.

Mr. Polk presents a petition from sundry inhabitants of Somerset county, praying for a public landing at the place known by the name of Harris's Landing; which was read and referred to a committee on a petition of a similar nature

Mr. Barney delivers the following report:

The committee to whom was referred the memorial of sundry persons, complaining of the operation of the proceedings of the commissioners for laying off streets, lanes and alleys, within the city of Baltimore, having heard the representations of the petitioners, and also of a committee of the commissioners, and had the same under their mature consideration, beg leave to report—That the proceedings of the board of commissioners appear to have been adopted with every possible regard to the great and permanent interests of that city; that in performance of so great and difficult a work, particular cases of hardship have been unavoidably produced, to which a special remedy ought to be applied, if the commissioners do not, by a review of those cases, afford a relief; but that as the application of the petitioners is to have some general provisions enacted upon the subject, which your committee are of opinion cannot be done without overthrowing the whole plan of laying down streets, lanes and alleys, within the city, for all future time, they recommend that no legislative act of such a character be now passed, and that the petitioners be left to exhibit their particular cases, accompanied with plots, proofs and illustrations, when the subject can be more fully understood, and the cases of grievances may receive their adequate and appropriate relief.

The committee take leave to accompany this report with the written observations of the committee of the board of commissioners, who also exhibit the accompanying plot.

All which is respectfully submitted.

JOHN BARNEY, JOHN P. KENNEDY, EDWARD ORRICK.

Which was read.

The bill for the benefit of John Herbert, of Washington county, and the further supplement to an act, entitled, An act to incorporate a company to make a turnpike road from the town of Westminster, in Frederick county, through Harman's Gap, to Hager's-town, in Washington county, were read the second time, passed, and sent to the senate.

Mr. Davis presents a petition from Ely Dorsey, of Ely, of Frederick county, praying a law may pass to confirm his title to land purchased of Charles Ridgely; which was read and referred to Messrs. Davis, Wilson and Warfield.

Mr. Barney reports a bill, entitled, An act for the benefit of Mary Young, Henry W. Fitzhugh, and Elizabeth Dickins, of the city of Baltimore; which was read.

The bill to allow Daniel Schnebly, late sheriff and collector of Washington county, further time to complete his collection, was read the second time, passed, and sent to the senate.

The amendments to the bill for the relief of the sheriffs and collectors of the several counties in this state, were read the second time. On motion by Mr. Snowden, the question was put, That the words 'judges of the county court' be stricken out of the amendment, stating to whom application shall be made, for the purpose of inserting 'the justices of the levy court?' The yeas and nays being required appeared as follows:

AFFIRMATIVE.—Speaker, T W Hall, Showers, Snowden, Orrick, N Martin, S Stevens, R T Hall, Wright, R Stevens, Nicholson, Cockey, Maulsby, Alderson, Norris, Willis, Whitely, J B Cockey—11.