

man Reformed congregation of Middletown, in Frederick county, to raise by lottery a sum of money to defray the expenses in part for building their church in said town; ordered that Messrs. Kemp, Cromwell and Turbutt report the same.

On motion by J. T. H. Worthington, leave given to bring in a bill, entitled, a further supplement to the act, entitled, an act for the distribution of a certain fund for the establishment of free schools in the several counties therein mentioned; ordered, that Messrs. J. T. H. Worthington, Loockerman and Linthecum report the same.

On motion by Mr. C. R. Steward, leave given to bring in a bill, entitled, an act to confirm an act to repeal all such parts of the constitution and form of government as relate to the division of Anne-Arundel county into five separate election districts, and for other purposes, passed at December session, eighteen hundred and twenty-two; ordered, that Messrs. C. R. Steward, Howard and Iglehart report the same,

On motion by Mr. J. T. H. Worthington, leave given to bring in a bill, entitled, an additional supplement to the act, entitled, an act authorising a lottery to raise a sum of money for completing an Episcopal Church in Baltimore county; ordered, that Messrs. J. T. H. Worthington, Johnson and Ely, report the same.

The house proceeded to the second reading of the report of the committee appointed to report rules.

On motion by Mr. Loockerman, the question was put, that the nineteenth rule be stricken out for the purpose of inserting the following:

19th. That every member shall have the privilege of a call of the house, when he shall think proper. Resolved in the affirmative.

On motion by Mr. Hughes, the following was inserted in the 26th rule, after the words shall be to wit, "endorsed upon the petition, memorial, or other application by the member making it."

On motion by Mr. Loockerman, the 38th rule was so amended as to read "that the speaker may enter into debate except whilst in the chair, and may vote on every question except on appeal from the chair on a question of order."

On motion by Mr. Semmes, the said rule was stricken out as amended.

On motion by Mr. Carroll, the 16th rule was reconsidered, and the following offered as a substitute; "The speaker may vote on every question except on an appeal from the chair on a question of order, he may from time to time call any member to the chair, and when on the floor, he shall have the privilege of entering into debate."

Mr. Wootten moved to strike out from the word "speaker" to insert the following, "may not enter into debate except in a committee of the whole, or vote on any question except upon an equal division of the house."

Mr. Semmes called for a division of Mr. Wootten's proposition, and it was put that the house assent to the same, as far as the words "committee of whole inclusive?" Determined in the negative—the question was then put on the residue thereof? Determined in the negative.

The question was then put on striking out the 16th rule? Resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Semmes moved to add to Mr. Carroll's proposition the words, "and all the rights and privileges of a member?" Resolved in the affirmative.

The question was then put, that the house assent to the rules as amended? Resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. C. R. Stewart reports a bill, entitled, an act to confirm an act to repeal all such parts of the constitution and form of government as relate to the division of Anne-Arundel county into five separate election districts and for other purposes, passed at December session 1822

Mr. Millard reports a bill, entitled, an act to settle and ascertain the salary of the members of the council for the ensuing year.

Mr. J. T. H. Worthington reports a bill, entitled, an act authorizing a lottery to raise a sum of money for the purpose of repairing Zion Church in Baltimore county, and a bill, entitled, an additional supplement to the act, entitled, an act authorising a lottery to raise a sum of money for completing an Episcopal Church in Baltimore county; which were read.

On motion by Mr. Carroll, the following resolution was read, assented to and sent to the senate.

*Resolved*, That the Treasurer of the Western Shore pay to the members and officers of the legislature such sums of money as may appear to be due to them, by a certificate from the committee of Claims,

Mr. Dennis reports a bill, entitled, an act to authorise Elizabeth Anne Upshor Teackle, of Somerset county, to import a slave into this state; which was read.

On motion by Mr. Garner, leave given to bring in a bill, entitled, an act to prevent fraudulent conveyances and for other purposes; ordered, that Messrs. Garner, Semmes and M'Mahon report the same.

Mr. E. Barwick presents a petition from Frederick Hollbrook, sheriff of Caroline county, praying to be allowed for the expenses of a prisoner who made his escape; read and referred to Messrs. E. Barwick, Loockerman and Boon.

Mr. Hodges presents a petition from sundry inhabitants of Kent county, praying for a road; read and referred to Messrs. Hodges, Ireland and Gale.

Mr. M'Mahon presents a memorial from the citizens of Allegany county, read and referred to the committee appointed to bring in a bill relative to the Chesapeake and Ohio canal.

On motion by Mr. M'Henry, leave given to bring in a bill entitled, an act for the destruction of Panthers in Allegany county. Ordered, that Messrs M'Henry, Cromwell and Bruce report the same.