Mr. Orrell presented the petition of sundry inhabitants of Queen Anne's county, relating to runaway negroes, which was

read and referred to Messrs. Bowie, Kent and Quinton.

The further supplement to the act to declare and enlarge the powers of the court of chancery, and the county courts as courts of equity, was read a third time, passed, and sent to the house of delegates.

The clerk of the council delivered the following communication, which was read with the accompanying document, and

referred to the consideration of the house of delegates.

IN COUNCIL, Annapolis, February 16th, 1826.

Gentlemen of the Senate,

And of the House of Delegates,

I herewith submit for your information, an authenticated copy of an act of the General Assembly of Pennsylvania, just received from his Excellency the Governor of that State, entitled, An act to incorporate the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company. I have the honor to remain,

With the highest consideration,

Your obedient servant,

JOS. KENT.

Honorable William R. Stewart,

President of the Senate, and
The Honrable Benedict I. Semmes,
Speaker of the House of Delegates.

## (Accompanying Document.) AN ACT

Of the General Assembly of Pennsylvania, entitled, "An act to Incorporate the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company."

Passed the ninth day of February, one thousand eight hundred and twenty six.

Section. 1. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in General assembly met, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, That the full and entire assent of this commonwealth be, and the same is hereby given to all and each of the provisions mentioned and contained in an act of the legislature of the state of Virginia, passed the twenty seventh day of January, one thousand eight hundred and twenty four, entitled "An act incorporating the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company," so far as the same are or may be applicable to this commonwealth, and the said act of the state of Virginia, is hereby adopted, ratified and confirmed, and enacted into a law of this commonwealth, and all and each of the provisions, conditions and restrictions therefor, as fully and effectually, as if the same were enacted para-