

Also a bill entitled, an act to provide for electing commissioners for Harford county and prescribing their powers and duties, which was read the first time and referred to Messrs. Sewell, Nelson and Whiteley.

Also a bill entitled an act to revive an act passed at November session 1811 chapter 153 and to repeal an act passed at December session 1826 chapter 144, concerning the Town of Salisbury in Somerset and Worcester counties, which was read the first time and referred to Messrs. Dennis, Herbert and Lloyd.

And returned the bill for the benefit of William W. Whittington, Charlotte Whittington, John R. Whittington, and Robert H. Whittington, the infant children and heirs at law and representatives of William Whittington, late of Worcester county deceased. The supplement to the act to change the names of the Bank of Westminster and office of pay and receipt to the Farmers and Mechanics Bank of Frederick county, and to locate said Bank at Frederick city, with a branch at Westminster, and the additional supplement to the act entitled, an act, concerning crimes and punishments, passed at November session 1809 severally endorsed, "will pass."

And returned the bill to remunerate Robert Boone, of Anne-Arundel county, for the loss of a certain negro slave therein mentioned, (heretofore rejected by the senate,) with the following message.

By the House of Delegates, January 26th, 1828.
Gentlemen of the Senate,

We beg leave to return you a bill entitled "an act to remunerate Robert Boone of Anne-Arundel county, for the loss of a negro slave therein mentioned; indulging a hope, that on further consideration your honorable body will be induced to pass the same without examining the question, whether the party petitioning had redress by suit on the bond of the sheriff of Anne-Arundel county. We believe that if said Boone should thus recover after a tedious and expensive law suit, this legislature would, on application, pass a law recompensing the sheriff by authorising the Levy Court to levy the amount thus recovered on the assessable property of the county, this cause, justice would seem to dictate, as the slave in question escaped, not in consequence of any neglect on the part of the sheriff, but in consequence of the insecure state of the Jail of