

law authorizing and directing the re-building or repairing a certain bridge over the great branch of the Patuxent River, at the joint expense of said counties; which petition was referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Gantt, Sellman, Edelen, Kent and Stewart.

Mr. Hughlett had leave to bring in a bill, to be entitled, an act to abolish the Levy Court and provide for the election, by the people of Commissioners for Talbot county, and prescribing their powers and duties.

And thereupon, Messrs. Hughlett, Henrix, Denny, Dudley and Burchenal were appointed a select committee to prepare and report said bill.

Mr. Steele had leave to bring in a bill entitled, An Act relating to the manumission of negroes in this State.

And thereupon, Messrs. Steele, Gantt and Kent were appointed a select committee to prepare and report said bill.

Mr. Willson had leave to bring in a bill, entitled, an act to declare certain trespasses in Montgomery county felony, and for other purposes.

And, thereupon, Messrs. Willson, Gittings, and Harding, were appointed a select committee to prepare and report said bill.

On motion by Mr. McMahan, it was

Ordered, That a committee of five be appointed to enquire and report to this House, whether it would not be necessary to have the Laws respecting Elections, printed for the use of the Judges of Elections, and what number will be necessary to be printed.

And, thereupon, Messrs. McMahan, Swan, Witmer, Wright, and Turner, of Baltimore county, were appointed the said committee, pursuant to the order.

Mr. Hunt, from the Joint Committee, therein mentioned, delivered the following report:

The joint committee, to which was referred the subject of an early adjournment of the session of the General Assembly, report: That having ascertained the number of bills now on the Tables of the two Houses, and enquired, as far as practicable, into the additional business which will probably be brought forward, are unable to perceive any good reason for prolonging the session to the period at which preceding Legislatures have usually terminated their labors. There are few subjects of a general character, requiring legislative enactments, and those of a local or private nature, will, it is presumed, be presented as soon as public intimation is given of the day of adjournment. There are many good reasons in favor of the adoption of this measure, at the