

Mr. Jones presented the petition of Atwell Chance, and others, citizens of Caroline county, praying for a reduction in the price of marriage licenses in this state; which was read and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Goldsborough presented the petition of sundry citizens of the town of Centreville, in Queen-Anne's county, relative to dogs; which was read and referred to Messrs. Goldsborough, Thomas, and Brown of Queen-Anne's.

And Mr. Teackle presented the memorial and petition of John Cullen, and others, of Somerset county, praying for the establishment of a State Bank; which was read and referred to the committee already appointed on that subject.

On motion by Mr. Merrick, the following message was read, assented to, and sent to the senate:

By the House of Delegates,

Jan. 24th, 1831.

Gentlemen of the Senate,

As the session of the legislature will probably close at no distant day, we feel it incumbent upon us again most respectfully to invite your attention to the necessity of taking care that the state of Maryland shall not be left without a full representation in the senate of the United States.

The term of service of the honourable Ezekiel F. Chambers will expire on the 3d day of March next, and as Congress will be regularly convened before the meeting of the Legislature, not to mention that in a time when such wonderful convulsions and changes are occurring among the kingdoms of the earth, it is not impossible but an extraordinary call of Congress may become necessary; we propose with the concurrence of your honourable body, to go on Friday the 28th inst. at 12 o'clock. into the election of a senator to supply the vacancy, agreeably to the constitution and to the act of assembly.

By order,

G. G. Brewer, Clk.

On motion by Mr. Moores, leave was given to bring in a bill, entitled, An act to alter the location of the election districts in Harford county. Ordered, That Messrs. Moores, Montgomery and Amos, report the same.

On motion by Mr. Rogerson, leave was given to bring in a bill, entitled, An act to provide for the repair of the public roads in Charles county. Ordered, That Messrs Rogerson, Brawner and Chapman, report the same.

On motion by Mr. Hicks, leave was given to bring in a