

curred in improving real estates in cases of dower in said estates.

Mr. Merrick reported a bill, entitled, An act to establish a bank and incorporate a company, under the name of The Washington County Bank, at the town of Williamsport, in Washington county.

And Mr. Steele reported a bill, entitled, An act for the surrender of the charter of Baltimore College; which said bills were severally read.

On motion by Mr. M'Elfresh, the bill reported by him, entitled, A further supplement to an act, entitled, An act for the relief of the sheriffs and collectors of the several counties of this state, was taken up for consideration, and read the second time.

When Mr. Brawner moved to postpone said bill indefinitely.

On the question being put, it was resolved in the affirmative.

The bill reported by Mr. Gough, entitled, An act altering and changing the name of Stephen Adams to Stephen Henning Adams, was taken up for consideration, read the second time and passed.

On motion by Mr. Mitchell, leave of absence was granted Mr. Spence and Mr. Purnell for the balance of the session.

The door keeper having returned, reported that in obedience to order, he had notified the absent members that their attendance in the house was required.

The house then resumed the consideration of the order of the day, and the substitute offered by Mr. Teackle.

The said bill and substitute were then read the second time.

And on the question being put, Will the house adopt the substitute? it was determined in the negative.

The bill was then placed in the hands of the speaker.

When Mr. Nicholas moved to withdraw the bill from the hands of the chair, for the purpose of amending the second section of the bill, by striking out from the word "Baltimore," in the 5th line thereof, to the word "distributable," in the 6th line thereof, inclusive, and insert these words, "according to the ratio of white population."

On the question being put, Will the house withdraw the bill from the hands of the chair, for the purpose of amendment? it was determined in the negative.