

Mr. Comegys reported a bill, entitled, An act to authorise William D. Mercer, of Cecil county, to remove the negro therein mentioned into this state.

Mr. Biles reported a bill, entitled, An additional supplement to the act, entitled, An act empowering the levy court of Cecil county, at their discretion, to levy a sum of money to build a bridge over the Octarara creek in said county, at or near Samuel Rowland's store, passed at December session 1821, chapter 112.

Mr. Kent reported a bill, entitled, An act to provide for the building of a bridge over the Patuxent river at a place called the Fork of Patuxent.

Mr. Teackle from the committee on education, reported a bill, entitled, A further supplement to an act for the distribution of a certain fund for the purpose of establishing free schools in the several counties therein mentioned.

Mr. M'Elfresh reported a bill, entitled, A further supplement to the act, entitled, An act directing the manner of suing out attachments in this province and limiting the extent of them.

Mr. Merrick reported a bill; entitled, A supplement to the act for the better regulation of apprentices.

Also a bill, entitled, An additional supplement to the act, entitled, An act for the benefit of the University of Maryland,

And a bill, entitled, An act to prevent horse-racing, cock-fighting, and betting on elections, in Washington county; which were severally read.

The bill reported by Mr. Hicks, entitled, An act to authorise the orphans courts of this state to apportion the expenses incurred in improving real estates in cases of dower in said estates, was taken up for consideration.

On motion by Mr. Tilghman, the second section of the bill was amended by adding at the end thereof, the following proviso: "Provided, that nothing contained in this act shall be so construed as to authorise the said orphans courts to apportion the expenses of repairs in any case whatever, except where minors are concerned."

The said bill was then read the second time and passed.

Mr. Rogerson from the committee on pensions and revolutionary claims, delivered a favourable report on the petition of Dr. Thomas Tillotson, a surgeon in the revolution, accompanied with the following resolution:

Resolved, That the treasurer of the western shore pay to Dr. Thomas Tillotson, of Ruinebeck county, state of New