

THURSDAY, February 3d, 1831

The house met. Present the same members as on yesterday.

On motion by Mr. Duvall, the rule of the house requiring the journal of proceedings of the preceeding day to be read, was suspended, and the reading of said journal was dispensed with.

The bill, entitled, An act to authorise the Baltimore and Susquehanna rail road company to construct a lateral rail road to Westminster, and for other purposes; and the bill, entitled, An act to incorporate the Fredericktown Savings Institution, were sent to the senate.

Mr. Richardson presented the petition of sundry citizens of Frederick county, praying that the levy court of said county may be authorised to levy a sum of money sufficient for the relief of the indigent and distressed foreigners now in that county.

Also the petition of sundry citizens of Middletown in Frederick county, counter to the petition of sundry other citizens of said town, for electing the trustees or visitors of Middletown school annually, and praying for an increased number of the visitors, to be made according to the provisions of the existing law relating to said school, &c.

And the petition of sundry citizens of Middletown, in Frederick county, praying a supplement to a law passed at December session 1825, chapter 62, making valid the acts of the commissioners therein named, and for other purposes; which were severally read and referred to Messrs Richardson, M'Elfresh and Kemp.

Mr. Holmes presented the petition of Susanna Holmes, of Baltimore county, praying for a divorce.

And Mr. Ely presented the petition of Andrew Stain, of Baltimore county, praying for a divorce; which were severally read and referred to the committee on divorces.

Mr. Brookhart presented the petition of sundry citizens of Hagerstown, praying an alteration in the mode of voting for commissioners, so as to entitle all free white male citizens to vote; which was read and referred to Messrs. Brookhart, Merrick and Kershner.

Mr. M'Kinstrey presented the petition of Robert Hatton, and others, citizens of Frederick county, praying for a remedy of certain grievances therein mentioned; which was