

read and referred to the committee on grievances and courts of justice.

Mr. Montgomery presented the petition of sundry citizens of Harford county, praying the passage of an act authorising and requiring the commissioners of Harford and Baltimore counties to levy a sum of money sufficient to build a bridge over the Little Gunpowder Falls, at or near Rock Ford; which was read and referred to Messrs. Montgomery, Holmes, Worthington, Amos and Moores.

And Mr. Mitchell presented the petition of the heirs of Robert J. Henry, praying a law may pass authorising them to purchase real estate; which was read and referred to Messrs. Mitchell, Parker and Hicks.

On motion by Mr. M'Mahon, Ordered, That this house during the remainder of the session, shall meet at 9 o'clock, A. M. for the despatch of public business.

Mr. Hood submitted the following order; which was read.

Ordered, That the committee on inspections be directed and required to report a bill, limiting the term of office of the inspectors of tobacco in the state warehouses in the city of Baltimore, to four years.

Mr. Smith moved to amend said order, by striking out the word "four," and insert "three."

On the question being put, it was determined in the negative.

The question was then put, Will the house adopt the order? Resolved in the affirmative.

The speaker laid before the house a report from the clerk of Prince-George's county, relative to the number of copies of votes and proceedings remaining in his office; which was read and referred to the committee on the library.

Mr. Tilghman from the committee on ways and means, delivered the following report:

The committee on ways and means having duly considered the order of this house, instructing them "to inquire into the expediency of reducing the price of the license on billiard tables, to fifty dollars per year, excepting on such tables as are kept within any one of the cities of this state, or within the precincts or suburbs thereof," are of opinion that no sound reasons exist for such a reduction; they therefore beg leave to be discharged from the further consideration thereof.

By order,

Isaac Hines, Clk.

Which was twice read and concurred in.