

was read and referred to Messrs. Wallis, Brown of Kent, Tilghman, Brawner, and Burchenal.

Mr. M·Kinstrey presented the petition of David Keiler, of the town of Westminster, in Frederick county, praying for the passage of a law authorising the appointment of commissioners to widen a certain alley or avenue in said town, and for other purposes; which was read and referred to Messrs. M·Kinstrey, Kemp and Richardson.

Mr. Gale presented the petition of George Mercer, and others, of Cecil county, counter to the petition of John Swisher, and others, praying that the latter may not be made permanent trustees of a certain school therein mentioned; which was read and referred to the committee already appointee on that subject.

On motion by Mr. Burchenal, leave was given to bring in a bill, entitled, An act authorising the commissioners of Greensborough, in Caroline county, to survey and lay out the limits of said village. Ordered, That Messrs. Burchenal, Hardcastle and Jones, report the same.

On motion by Mr. Burchenal, leave was given to bring in a bill, entitled, An act to erect an academy and appoint trustees thereto, in the village of Greensborough, in Caroline county, and for other purposes. Ordered, That Messrs. Burchenal, Hardcastle and Charles, report the same.

On motion by Mr. Hicks, leave was given to bring in a bill, entitled, A supplement to an act to incorporate the New-Market Academy, in Dorchester county. Ordered, That Messrs. Hicks, Wright and Steele, report the same.

On motion by Mr. Burchenal, leave was given to bring in a bill, entitled, An act authorising Marcey Fountain, former collector of Caroline county, to complete his collections.

Ordered, That Messrs Burchenal, Jones and Charles, report the same.

On motion by Mr. Ely. Ordered, That the committee on grievances and courts of justice be instructed to inquire into the propriety and expediency of abolishing the board of commissioners of insolvent debtors for Baltimore city and county, and transferring their powers and duties to the orphans court of said county, and that they report by bill or otherwise.

On motion by Mr. Merrick. Ordered, That the committee on the part of this house, appointed to contract for the public printing, inquire why it is not executed agreeably to contract, and that they take such measures as may be neces-