

them to hold and dispose of certain property therein mentioned; which was read, and referred to the committee on grievances and courts of justice.

Also, the memorial of Dr. William D. Conway, and John R. Keech, praying for the passage of an act to make valid a deed therein mentioned; which was read, and referred to Messrs. Moores, Amos, and Johns.

And, Mr. Laurenson presented the memorial of the Society of Odd Fellows of Maryland, praying for an act of incorporation; which was read, and referred to Messrs. Laurenson, Hunt, Brawner, Hardcastle, and Welch.

The Speaker laid before the house a report from the trustees of the University of Maryland; which was read, and referred to Messrs. Stockett, Nicols, Wootten, White, Laurenson, Moores, and Thomas, of Queen Anne's

Mr. Holmes obtained leave to bring in a bill, to be entitled, An act for the extension of the jurisdiction of justices of the peace in this state; ordered, that Messrs. Holmes, Wilson, of Cecil, and Rogerson, report the same.

Mr. Swan obtained leave to bring in a bill, to be entitled, A supplement to an act entitled, An act to provide for electing commissioners for Allegany county, and prescribing their powers and duties, passed December session, 1829, chapter 25; ordered, that Messrs. Swan, Armstrong, and Blair, report the same.

Mr. Mitchell obtained leave to bring in a bill, to be entitled, A supplement to an act, passed December session, 1830, for the benefit of the heirs of Robert J. H. Henry, of Worcester county; ordered, that Messrs. Mitchell, Handy, and Powell, report the same.

On motion by Mr. Brawner,

Ordered, That the memorial of John Hancock, of the state of Kentucky, presented at the last session of the Legislature, be withdrawn from the files of the house, and referred with the accompanying documents to the committee already appointed on that subject.

On motion by Mr. Parran,

Ordered, That the standing committee on ways and means be instructed, to inquire into the expediency of reducing the wharfage, on vessels carrying tobacco to the state ware-houses, for inspection, and placing such wharfage, as may hereafter be received if any be necessary to the liquidation of the debt incurred, for the purchase of the inspection houses and wharfs thereto belonging, and report by bill or otherwise.