

Mr. Gantt presented a petition of Theodore Mitchell, of Prince George's county, praying to be compensated for detecting and bringing to conviction certain persons therein named;

Which was read and referred to Messrs. Gantt, Pratt and Scott.

Mr. Mann presented a petition of Peter Newcomer, of Washington county, praying for an increase of damage for opening a public road through his farm;

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

Mr. Sellman presented a petition of Ann Maria Belmear, praying for a divorce a vinculo matrimonii, from her husband Absolom Belmear;

Which was read and referred to the committee on divorces.

Mr. Wharton presented a petition of sundry citizens of Washington county, praying the passage of an act to extend the jurisdiction of justices of the peace in said county;

Which was read and referred to the consideration of the senate.

Mr. Wharton submitted the following order:

Which was twice read.

Ordered, That the memorial of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal company now before the committee on internal improvement, be printed for the use of this house.

On motion by Mr. Bruff, the said order was amended by striking out the words, "this house," and inserting in lieu thereof the words, "the Legislature."

The said order was then adopted.

Mr. Ely reported a bill, entitled, an act to secure to mechanics and others payment for labor done and materials furnished in the erection or repair of buildings and machinery, or either of them within this state.

And Mr. Miller of Charles reported a bill entitled, a further additional supplement to an act, entitled, an act for quieting possessions, enrolling conveyances and securing the estates of purchasers;

Which were severally read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Humrickhouse reported a bill entitled, an act to incorporate the Washington Beneficial Society of Hagerstown;

Which was read the first time and referred to the committee on corporations.