

The bill reported by Mr. Heard, chairman of the committee on the colored population, entitled, a further supplement to an act, entitled, a supplement to an act relating to free negroes and slaves, was taken up for consideration,

Mr. McLean moved to lay said bill on the table,  
Determined in the negative,

On motion of Mr. Merrick, said bill was amended, by inserting after the word "gift," third line first section, these words "from a relative or relatives within the third degree of kindred,"

On motion of Mr. Merrick, said bill was then laid on the table.

The bill reported by Mr. Carpenter, chairman of the committee on divorces, entitled, an act to divorce Eli Unglesbee of Frederick county, from his wife Lavisia Urglesbee,

And, the bill also, reported by him, entitled, an act to divorce Jacob Christ, of Washington county, from his wife Amelia Christ,

Were severally taken up for consideration, read the second time, and severally rejected.

On motion of Mr. Merrick, the House took up for consideration the bill reported by Mr. Heard, chairman of the committee on colored population, entitled, a further supplement to an act, entitled, a supplement to an act relating to free negroes and slaves,

On motion of Mr. Merrick, seconded by two other members that voted in the majority, the House reconsidered their vote upon the amendment proposed by him to said bill, and adopted by the House,

Mr. Merrick, then moved that said amendment be rejected,

Resolved in the affirmative,

The said bill was then read the second time, and placed in the hands of the chair,

Mr. Burchenal, moved to withdraw said bill from the hands of the chair for the purpose of amendment,

Resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Burchenal then moved to amend said bill, by adding at the end thereof as an additional section, the following,

Sec. 2nd. Be it enacted, that in every case of gift, as authorized by this act, that the donor shall make the same known in writing, upon oath, that the said gift is bona fide made, which instrument of writing shall be filed with the Clerk of the county in which the said property may be re-