

Mr. Polk presented the petition of James Barton, praying to be placed on the pension list of indigent persons for Harford county;

Read and referred to the committee on pensions to indigent persons by county assessment.

Mr. Ridgely submitted the following message:

*By the House of Delegates,
January 24th, 1840.*

Gentlemen of the Senate:

We propose, with the concurrence of your honorable body, to appoint a joint committee on the public printing, in pursuance of the act of 1831, ch. 303, and have appointed on the part of this House, Messrs. Ridgely, Welch of Annapolis, Mason, Tuck and Graves.

Read, and on motion of Mr. Hammond,
Ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Heckart presented a memorial from sundry citizens of this State who are owners and masters of vessels trading to and from the port of Baltimore, praying for a law to prevent either the floating of lumber into the port, or to make the owners of said lumber to pay a sum to be fixed by the Legislature for that privilege, which sum shall be applied to the cleaning out the harbor, &c.

Read and referred to Messrs. Heckart, Tall, Giles, Seidenstricker, Hope, Cottman and Bowling.

Mr. Bowie presented the report of the trustees of Upper Marlboro' Academy;

Read and referred to the committee on education.

Mr. Humphreys presented the memorial of William Freeny, administrator of Thomas Morris, deceased, praying the Legislature to authorise him to make sale of the real estate mentioned therein;

Read and referred to Messrs. Humphreys, Cottman and Long.

Mr. Estep presented the petition of sundry citizens of Anne Arundel county, praying for a division of the first election district of said county;

Read and referred to Messrs. Estep, Ridgely, Hammond, Welch of Annapolis, and Owens.

Mr. Newman presented the memorial of Robert McCulloch, asking for remuneration for his company for services performed in quelling the riot on the line of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal in 1839;

Read and referred to the committee on claims.

Also, the petition of 31 citizens of Allegany county, praying for an act to abolish magistrates courts in said county;

Read and referred to Messrs. Newman, Berry and Price.

Mr. Legrand presented the memorial of John Hayes, praying a divorce from his wife Harriet Hayes;

Read and referred to the committee on divorces.