

Said communication was read and referred to the committee on internal improvements, and ordered to be printed.

[See Document K.]

Also a communication from the clerk of Kent county court;

Read and referred to the committee on grievances and courts of justice.

Also a bill, entitled an act to provide for the conveyance to the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, of certain real estate for public use.

Endorsed "will pass."

Referred to the Baltimore city delegation.

Also a bill, entitled, an act to exempt from taxation the property of the Protestant Episcopal churches in Calvert county, and

A bill, entitled, an act declaratory of the law authorising the closing of judgments in the several county courts of this State.

Severally endorsed, "will pass."

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

Also returned an act to alter and amend the Constitution and form of Government so as to provide for the election of county clerks and registers of wills immediately by the people.

Endosed "will not pass."

Also, returned the bill entitled, an act to authorise Samuel Leonard to remove into this State four slaves for life;

Endorsed "will pass" with the proposed amendment:

Amendment proposed.

At the end of the bill insert, "and provided that the statement or affidavit provided for by this bill, shall also state that said slaves are slaves for life;"

Said amendment was then read and assented to, and the bill as amended, ordered to be engrossed.

Also, a bill entitled, an additional supplement to an act passed at December session 1826, chapter 217, providing for the election of commissioners for Baltimore county, and prescribing their powers and duties;

Endorsed, "will pass," with the proposed amendment:

Amendment proposed,

Strike out the word "may" in the fifth line of the bill and insert "shall."

Said amendment was read, assented to, and the bill as amended, ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Martin presented the petition of a large number of citizens of Talbot county, praying for an act entitled, an act to grant a lottery for the purposes therein mentioned;

Read and referred to the committee on lotteries.

Mr. Matthews, from the committee on that subject, reported a bill entitled, an act to authorise Philip A. E. Contee, to introduce into this State, certain negroes, slaves for life.

Also, the bill entitled, an act to authorise Eleanor R. Contee, to introduce into this State, certain negroes, slaves for life.