

And the bill entitled, an act to authorise Philip A. L. Contee to introduce into this State certain negro slaves for life;

Severally endorsed will pass, and ordered to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. Holmes,

Ordered, That the committee on the colored population, obtain and report to this house, a detailed statement from the officers of the Colonization Society of the State, shewing the number of persons and their places of residence, anterior to transportation, transported by said society; the number and grade of officers of the society, and their respective salaries; the amount of money received from each county, and the number of persons of color sent from each county, and the manner in which the amount of money has been disbursed.

Mr. Hammond asked and obtained leave to bring in a bill entitled, an act to regulate an election in Howard district, of Anne Arundel county;

Referred to Messrs. Hammond, Ridgely and Owens.

Mr. Hook asked and obtained leave to bring in a bill to repeal part of an act entitled, an act for the relief of persons therein named, passed December session 1837, chapter 280.

Referred to Messrs. Hook, Parke and Bramwell.

Mr. Graves submitted the following message:

*By the House of Delegates:*

*January 31st, 1840.*

*Gentlemen of the Senate:*

We propose by your concurrence to proceed immediately to the election of Bank directors, to represent the State stock. We have nominated on the part of this house,

For the Mechanics' Bank—James Wilson, of Howard street, and Samuel Lucas.

For the Farmers' Bank of Maryland—Robert Welch of Ben., John S. Sellman and Horatio C. Scott.

For the Branch of the same at Easton—James Price, Nicholas Martin, and James A. Stewart.

For the Elkton Bank—Adam Whann.

For the Hagerstown Bank—Jacob Fiery, John Wilmer, Sr.

Which was read.

Mr. Winder moved to amend the same by striking out the words "James Wilson and Samuel Lucas" and insert "Thomas H. Horsey and John W. Smith;"

On the question being put, will the house agree to strike out and insert?

Determined in the negative.

The question then recurred on agreeing to the message, and on being put?

It was determined in the affirmative.

On motion of Mr. Gaither,

The House took up for consideration the order of the day being the resolutions submitted by him on the 9th instant;