

By Mr. John W. Thomas, a petition from sundry inhabitants of Cecil county, praying that the law incorporating a company to build a bridge over the river Susquehannah, may be repealed; referred to the committee appointed on that subject.

By Mr. Norris, the petition of sundry inhabitants of Harford county, against the repeal of the law incorporating a company to build a bridge over the Susquehannah, at Havre de-Grace; referred to the committee on that subject.

By Mr. Sutton, the petition of Asbury Jarrett, of the city of Baltimore, praying that he may be authorised to bring into this state certain slaves therein mentioned; referred to Messrs. Sutton, Hope and Montgomery.

By Mr. Barnes, the petition of James Williamson, of Frederick county, praying for a divorce; referred to the committee on divorces.

By Mr. Buchanan, the petition of Mary C. Spence, of Baltimore county, widow of Robert T. Spence, praying authority to sell the lands therein mentioned; referred to Messrs. Buchanan, Tidball and Campbell.

By Mr. Armstrong, the petition of sundry inhabitants of the town of Skipton, in Allegany county, praying the incorporation of trustees for a school in said town, and to take a deed therein mentioned; referred to Messrs. Armstrong, Speed and Tidball.

By Mr. Ringgold, the petition of the Master, Wardens and Brethren of Clinton Lodge No. 83, praying the privilege of erecting a Masonic Hall on part of the public ground in Chester-town; referred to Messrs. Ringgold, Campbell and Wilmer.

By Mr. Done, the petition of Jeremiah T. Chase, praying compensation for extra services whilst judge of the 3d judicial district; referred to Messrs. Done, Campbell, Barnes, Stricker, Buchanan, Brooke and Chapman.

Mr. Norris presented a report from the commissioners of the school fund for Harford county, shewing the amount of the money received for the last year, ending in the month of September, and how the same has been distributed and disposed of; referred to the committee on public instruction.

The Speaker communicated to the house a report from the justices of the Orphans Court for Prince George's county, made agreeably to an act of assembly, entitled, A supplement to an act, entitled, An act for the distribution of a certain fund for the purpose of establishing free schools in the several counties therein mentioned, showing how the amount appropriated for that county, for the last year, has been expended, and so forth.

And a report from the judges of elections of the fourth district in Allegany county, of the number of votes given in that district, for and against the establishment of primary schools; transmitted in obedience to an order of this house of the sixth ultimo; which reports were also severally referred to the committee on public instruction.

Mr. Ridgaway asked leave to introduce a bill, to be en-