

ture thereof; which were read, and referred to the consideration of the house of delegates.

The clerk of the house of delegates delivered a bill entitled, an act to alter the time of holding the county courts in Worcester and Sommerset counties, which was read the first, and by special order a second and third time, and returned to the house of delegates.

Also, a bill entitled, an act regulating fences in Charles, Queen Ann's and Alleghany counties, which was read, the first time, and referred to Messrs. Harrison, Forrest, and Whiteley.

The bill for the relief of Michael De Young of the city of Baltimore, was read a third time, and re-committed.

Mr. Sewell, from the committee to whom the said bill was re-committed, reported the same, with the following amendment, viz:—add the following proviso to the bill, "Provided, that nothing in this act contained, shall operate to render illegitimate, any child or children of the said Mary De Young, which may be born before the first day of June next."—Which amendment was read and assented to.

The bill was then read, passed with the proposed amendment, and returned to the house of delegates.

The bill annulling the marriage of Henry Gilder and Ann Gilder, of Queen Ann's county, was read a second time, and the question was put, "shall the bill be engrossed for a third reading."—Determined in the negative.

On motion, by Mr. Johnson, leave was given to bring in a bill to be entitled, an act relating to manumissions.—Ordered, that Messrs. Johnson, Herbert and Spence, be a committee to prepare and report the same.

Mr. Spence asked to be excused from serving further, on the standing committees of the senate, to which he was attached during the present session—and he was accordingly excused.

On motion, the bill for the relief of Sophia Porter, of Baltimore county, was ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Harrison asked and obtained leave to bring in a bill to be entitled, an act for the relief of Ann Gilder, of Queen Ann's county.—The said leave was referred to the committee on divorces.

The senate adjourned until to-morrow morning 10 o'clock.

Saturday, February 3d, 1827.

The senate met. Present the same members as on yesterday, except Mr. Spence. The proceedings of yesterday were read.