

time by special ordered, passed and sent to the house of delegates.

The bill to secure to Henry Hindman of Queen Ann's county, an annuity out of the real estate therein mentioned, was read a second time, and on motion of Mr. Nelson, the question upon the engrossment of the said bill was postponed, and the bill ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Kennedy from the committee, reported a bill entitled, an act to vest in the orphans' courts the powers exercised by the county or criminal courts, by the act entitled, "An act for the better regulation of Apprentices," which was read the first time, and ordered to be printed.

Mr. Heath presented the petition of Mary Ann Grant, praying a divorce from her husband William Grant, which was read and referred to the committee on divorces.

Mr. Dennis from the committee to whom was referred the supplement to an act entitled, an act to amend and reduce into one, the several acts of assembly, relating to the public roads in Worcester county, passed at December session 1821, chapter 110, reported the same with the following amendment, to wit:

Amendment proposed, strike out the third section, except the preamble, and insert in lieu thereof the following:

Section 3. And be it enacted, that the Levy court of said county be, and they are hereby authorised at their regular or adjourned meeting in this present year, if the said court deem it expedient to appoint three commissioners to lay out a quantity of land, not exceeding one half acre lying most convenient to said road, and the said commissioners are or a majority of them, are hereby required to return a plot of said land to the clerk of Worcester county court there to be recorded: and the said commissioners or a majority of them are hereby required to value the said land, and to return the estimated value of said land together with their other proceedings to to the Levy court of said county and the amount of said valuation so ascertained and returned shall be levied and collected as other county charges, and the same shall be paid over to the guardian or guardians of said infants, and the said Levy court shall condemn said land so laid off for the purposes and uses alone set forth;" which amendment was read and assented to. The said bill was then read as amended, a second and by special order a third time, passed and returned to the house of delegates.