

as they do not apprehend that the injury to the revenue, as suggested by your honourable body, will take place.

By order,

L. Gassaway, Clk.

Also delivered a bill, originated in and passed by the senate, entitled, An act relating to the court of chancery; which was read and referred to the committee on grievances and courts of justice.

And the bill, entitled, An act to authorise the commissioners of Baltimore county to levy and assess a sum of money for the purposes therein mentioned; which was read and referred to Messrs. Worthington, Ely and Hunt.

Mr. Merrick from the committee on grievances and courts of justice, made a favourable report upon the bill from the senate, entitled, An act relating to the court of chancery.

The said bill was then read the first, and by special order the second time, passed, and returned to the senate.

Mr. Worthington from the committee to whom was referred the bill from the senate, entitled, An act to authorise the commissioners of Baltimore county to levy and assess a sum of money for the purposes therein mentioned, reported the same with the following amendment:

Amendment proposed.

In the third line, after the word "interest," insert the words "if in their opinion they be just and proper."

Which amendment was read and assented to.

The said bill was then read the first and second time by special order, passed with the proposed amendment, and returned to the senate.

On motion by Mr. Wright, Ordered, That the petitions and other papers of sundry citizens of this state relative to the pilot laws, be withdrawn from the files of this house.

Mr. Merrick submitted the following message; which was read, assented to, and with the bill therein mentioned, sent to the senate.

By the House of Delegates,

February 23d, 1831.

Gentlemen of the Senate,

We return you the bill, entitled, A supplement to the act for the better regulation of apprentices, and respectfully request that it may be re-considered by your honourable body.

The indentures of apprentices being always recorded in the office of register of wills, many being made under authority of the orphans court, and many others requiring