

Read the first and by special order the second time, assented to and ordered to be engrossed.

And the bill, entitled, an act empowering the commissioners of Washington county to build a bridge across Antietam Creek, at or near Claggett's Mill;

The bill, entitled, an act to authorise the closing of part of an alley in Hagerstown;

And the bill entitled, an act to change the name of Anna Maria King of Somerset county;

Severally endorsed "will pass," and ordered to be engrossed.

And the bill, entitled, an additional supplement to an act, entitled, an act to provide for the public instruction of youth in primary schools throughout this State, passed December session, 1837, chapter 206, so far as relates to Dorchester county;

Endorsed "will pass" with the proposed amendments.

Amendments proposed.

After the word county in the first section 23d line, insert:  
 "And that in all cases in which it may be necessary for the school commissioners to condemn land under the provisions of this act, the land so condemned shall be valued by three disinterested persons, one to be chosen by the owner of the land, one by the school commissioners, and the two persons thus chosen are to select a third. And the three persons thus selected, or a majority of them, after taking an oath fairly and justly to value the land so condemned, shall proceed to view and value the same, and to name the sum which said school commissioners shall pay for said lands, and after the valuation they shall make a full return to the clerk of the county, of the amount of valuation, together with the plat of said lands, and the said school commissioners shall immediately upon the return being made, be and they are hereby authorised to take possession of the said lands thus condemned to be used for the purposes intended by the provisions of this act."

At the end of the first section add:

"Provided, That nothing in this act shall be construed so as to prevent the school commissioners of said county from purchasing any house to be used for a school house, if they may deem it expedient to do so.

In the third section after the word commissioners in the last line insert the word "and," strike out the word "desired to go," and insert "so required to be paid, shall when collected be applied."

Strike out "at the lowest rate," fourth line seventh section.

Add at the end of the seventh section:

And provided also, That the said commissioners may in their discretion contract with a teacher or teachers, at any less sum or sums.

Which were read the first and by special order the second time, assented to and the bill as amended order to be engrossed.

And the bill, entitled, an act to raise a sum of money by lottery in aid of the building of an academy in Frostburg, and a market house and town hall over it, in Cumberland, Allegany county;