

and of no effect unless the Mayor and City Council of the town of Cumberland, shall signify their assent to the same by three successive notices published in some newspaper in the town of Cumberland before the first day of June 1841.

Which were read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

The house then proceeded to the consideration of the order of the day, being the bill reported by Mr. Bowie, chairman of the committee on ways and means, entitled an act for the general valuation and assessment of property in this State, and to provide a tax to pay the debts of the State.

On motion of Mr. Bowie,

The house resolved itself into a committee of the whole house upon said bill, (Mr. Jones, of Somerset, being in the chair) and after some time spent in committee, the Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported, that the said committee, had in obedience to order, had said bill under consideration, and having made some progress therein, had directed him to ask leave to sit again;

Which leave was granted by the house.

On motion of Mr. Gaither,

The house adjourned until to-morrow morning 9 o'clock.

#### THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 1841.

The house met. Present at the call of the roll the following members:

Messrs. Welsh of Kent, Edes, Jones of Kent, Dalrymple, Matthews, Holmes, Randall, Parsons, Rider, Williams, Keene, Tall, Simcoe, Maxwell, Ford, Forman, Hearn, Cathell, Whiteford, Sullivan, Nesbitt, Weast, Zeigler, Claggett, Thayer, Stull.

The proceedings of yesterday were read.

The bill, entitled an act to authorise the drawing of a lottery to introduce a supply of wholesome water in the town of Port Tobacco, in Charles county,

Was sent to the Senate.

Mr. Holmes presented the petition of Francis Grupy, of Baltimore county, praying a divorce from his wife, Sarah Grupy; and

Mr. Nesbitt presented the petition of Christiana Limberger, of Washington county, praying to be divorced from her husband, Joseph Limberger, a vinculo matrimonii;

Which were severally read and referred to the committee on divorces.

Mr. Poultney presented the petition of Penelope D. Goodwin and Charlisa Owens, praying a redress of grievances therein mentioned;

Which was read and referred to the committee on grievances and courts of justice.

Mr. Whiteford presented the petition of sundry citizens of Harford county, praying the passage of a law to prohibit the sale of any intoxicating liquors in any election district in any county, and any