

On motion of Mr. Graves,  
The house was called, and the door-keeper sent for the absent members.

On motion of Mr. Hearn,  
The house resolved to proceed with the ordinary business of the session, during the absence of the door-keeper.

Mr. Hearn, chairman of the select committee, made a favorable report upon the memorial of Charles Parker and others, praying to be discharged from the interest due the State as security upon the bonds of John C. Handy, late clerk of Worcester county, accompanied with the following resolution:

*Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the sureties of John C. Handy, deceased, late clerk of Worcester county, be and they are hereby released from the payment of the interest on the State's claim against them, as sureties as aforesaid, provided they shall pay into the treasury of the State, the principal of the said claim, within three months after the passage of this resolution.

Which was read the first, and by special order the second time, the report concurred in, and the resolution therein contained assented to and sent to the senate.

On motion of Mr. Paca,

The house took up for consideration the bill reported by Mr. Ford, entitled an act to authorise the primary school commissioners of Queen Anne's county, to organize and establish new districts in said county;

The said bill was then read the second time, passed and sent to the senate.

Mr. Richardson, chairman of the select committee, made a favorable report upon the bill from the Senate, entitled an act to authorise the trustees of primary school district No. 72, in Frederick town, to sell and convey part of the lot in Fredericktown, late the property of William Ely, deceased, purchased by said trustees for a primary school-house;

Which was read.

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

Mr. Weems reported a bill, entitled an act to make valid a deed therein mentioned;

Which was read the first, and by a special order, the second time, passed and sent to the senate.

On motion of Mr. Graves,

The house took up for consideration the bill from the Senate, entitled an act to make valid a deed from Charles H. Bland, of Baltimore county, to Helena Stewart, of the city of Baltimore;

The said bill was then read the second time, passed and returned to the Senate.

Mr. Brent reported a bill, entitled an act to authorise the hearing