

leave to report—that the proof to them is not sufficient, and that she have leave to withdraw her petition.

Mr. Barnes reported a bill, entitled, **An act to make valid certain deeds therein mentioned; which was twice read, by special order, and passed.**

Mr. Tyson presented a petition from William Scott, of the city of Baltimore, praying a divorce; referred to the standing committee on that subject.

Mr. Stricker presented a petition from John Campbell White and others, the trustees of Baltimore college, praying that they may have the privilege to raise the sum of ten thousand dollars by lottery; referred to the standing committee upon the subject of lotteries.

Mr. Edward Hughes presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of the village of Rockville, in Montgomery county, praying the passage of a law to prevent swine from going at large in said village; referred to Messrs. Edward Hughes, Janes and Peter.

The Sergeant at Arms made return of the several subpoenas duces tecum ad testificandum, which were on the 6th ultimo issued and delivered to him, for certain witnesses, requiring them to appear before the standing committee on elections and privileges, for the purpose of testifying in relation to the eligibility of Samuel L. Rauleigh, esquire, a delegate returned as duly elected for Dorchester county, to a seat in this house, on which subject an inquiry has been instituted; and that the said subpoenas had all been duly served on the witnesses therein respectively named.

Mr. M'Ilhenny reported a bill, entitled, **An act to ascertain and settle the salary of the members of the council for the present year; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.**

Mr. Compton from the committee to whom was referred the bill received from the senate, entitled, **An act relating to the removal of causes for trial to the third judicial district,** reported, that the committee had had the same under consideration, and were of opinion that it ought to pass. The bill was then read a second time, and ordered to lie on the table.

On motion by Mr. Nicholson, the house proceeded to the consideration of the unfinished business of yesterday, in relation to the bill, reported by him, entitled, **An act to establish magistrates courts in the several counties of this state, for the trial of assault and battery.**

And the question recurring, and being propounded, on the adoption of the following proviso, offered by Mr. Brooke, as an amendment to the bill, viz. **Provided always and be it expressly understood, that Calvert county is hereby exempted from the operation of this act.** It was determined in the negative.

On motion by Mr. Bennett, the seventh section was reconsidered; when he proposed so to amend the same, that the bail thereby required should not in any case exceed the sum of one hundred dollars, nor be less than twenty dollars.

Mr. Nicholson moved as a substitute for the amendment pro;