for that purpose; and, whereas, the indigent children intended to be provided for under the bequest have had no benefit, as is believed, of said bequest; and, whereas, the Trustees of said McDonough Charity School Fund have for many years made no report of the condition of the said Charity School Fund, although expressly required to do so annually by the terms both of the will and of the Act of Assembly; and, whereas, it is right and proper that the matter shoud be inquired into and the condition of the fund ascertained; therefore, be it ordered. That the President of the Senate shall forthwith appoint a Committee of three Senators to examine into, investigate and report to this Body as soon as practicable, the condition of the McDonough Charity School Fund of Charles County, that said report shall show the date of the last report of the Trustees of the said fund, and its recitals, what losses, if any, have been sustained by the fund, by whom, when, to what extent and on account of what cause, and what amounts are now on hand, and how invested, and if the same be loaned out to individuals or corporations, to ascertain and report the names of such individuals or corporations, on what security they have borrowed and hold the same, and the several amounts of indebtedness to the fund; and be it further ordered, That to make effective the aforegoing, the said Committee are authorized to send for persons and papers, which may, in their judgment, be useful for the purposes of the investigation, and are hereby empowered to examine witnesses under oath.

The President, in pursuance of the above order, appointed as such Select Committee—Senators Lancaster, Miller and Wilson.

On motion by Mr. Dennis,

Leave was granted to Senators Dennis, Humphreys and Franklin to introduce a bill to be entitled an Act to prohibit the taking or catching of oysters with scoops, drags or dredges in certain waters of Somerset County.

On motion by Mr. McLane,

Leave was granted to the Committee on Corporations to introduce a bill to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 242, of the Acts of eighteen hundred and seventy-six, entitled an an Act to repeal Chapter 476, of the Acts of eighteen hundred and seventy, entitled an Act to provide for the creation and regulation of incorporated Companies in the State of Maryland, and to enact a substitute therefor, by adding four additional sections thereto.